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Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night.

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ARE HAMMERING AT SALIENT

German Attack by Artillery Is Again Concentrated to the Northwest of Verdun—Bombardment Eased Elsewhere.

FRENCH AIR SQUADRON ATTACKS BRIEULLES

Three Enemy Aeroplanes Are Brought Down—Russians Achieve Minor Successes on Eastern Front.

LONDON, March 13.—Switching their activity from the east to the northwest of Verdun, the Germans are again hammering at the salient of Le Mort Homme and the region of the Bois de Meuse, in an endeavor to bring their line further south on the western flank of the fortresses.

To the east of the Meuse, and in the Woëvre district, there has been a noticeable let-up in the bombardments on both sides. The infantry everywhere on the Verdun front has been inactive. In line with the bombardment of Le Mort Homme and the Bois de Meuse, the Germans are assembling men in the region between Forges and the Bois de Corbeaux, probably with the intention of throwing them into the fray should the intense bombardment meet with success. The French artillery, however, have had this assembling point under the fire of their guns. No advantage is claimed by either side in the latest fighting around the fortress. Back of the German line to the north of Verdun, a French air squadron dropped 130 bombs on the station at Brioules, and at numerous points around Verdun French and German aviators have met in combat in the air with the advantage incontestably in favor of the French, according to Paris.

At least three German aeroplanes are reported to have been brought down, while others were seen by the French observers to have been in distress.

Damages German Positions
In the region of Seppois, Upper Alsace, the Germans essayed an attack on trenches that the French had captured, but were repulsed with considerable loss. The French guns have done damage to German positions north of the Alsace, in Champagne, and in the eastern portion of the forest of the Argonne.

In Northwest Russia, around Riga, in the Ikšķul district and on the Jaakobstadter coast, there have been violent artillery duels. In Galicia, southeast of Kolki and along the middle Strypa river, the Russians have been successful in small engagements with the Austrians.

In the coastal region on the Caucasus front, the Russians are still driving the Turks before them.

Success in East Africa
General Jan Christian Smuts, the former Defence Minister of the Union of South Africa, and now commander of the British expedition against German East Africa, has had a stiff engagement with the Germans in the mountainous region west of Taveta, along the frontier. The Germans were driven back, although the fighting was of the most obstinate character. The British are endeavoring to cut off the retreat of the Germans, who are withdrawing to the south.

Unofficially, it is reported that Admiral von Tirpitz, the German Minister of Marine, is ill, and that the ministry is in charge of another official.

WHAT FRENCH LOST AT VERDUN

Prisoners Taken Were Less Than 13,000, While Number of Guns Captured Was Only 84.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—German estimates regarding French losses around Verdun, are quite inaccurate, according to a statement issued today by the French Embassy in this city. It says: "The Germans, wishing to reach the number of prisoners taken from them in Champagne and the Ardennes last September have obtained the names of 13,000 unrounded prisoners by including, as usual, the killed and wounded and unrounded prisoners. Such a total is more than double the real number."

"As to the 139 guns claimed as captured, the real number is only 84, including damaged guns and abandoned guns after having been put out of use. The Germans say they have lost no aeroplanes in February's aerial fighting and claim that 73 French or British machines have been brought down after fighting. The truth is that in February we brought down in aerial fighting five German aeroplanes, which fell in our lines, and five others which fell in the German lines. During the same month only one French aeroplane was brought down on French soil."

Death of Mrs. S. B. Bala
MONTREAL, March 13.—S. B. Bala, florist, well known throughout Canada as an interpreter of Scottish songs, died on Saturday of pneumonia, following an illness of three weeks. Mrs. Bala was 48 years of age.

Col. Francis Macdonald-General
MONTREAL, March 13.—The nomination of Lieut.-Col. Robert Borden as brigadier-general commanding the 13th Infantry Brigade, in succession to Brigadier-General A. E. Labell, whose term expires this month, has been confirmed from Ottawa. Lieut.-Col. Robert Borden joined the 3rd Victoria Rifles as a private in 1885.

BULGARIANS UNEASY

General Fear at Sofia That Tatonits and Turkish Allies Will Move No More Victories

SALONICA, March 12, via London, March 13.—All news received here shows that something like dismay as to the future, if not exactly direct opposition to the war, is at length gaining ground daily in Bulgaria. M. Malinoff, who may be said to be the leader of whatever opposition exists in Bulgaria, recently stated that "up to now, the war has been a victorious one for us, but tomorrow it must lead to fatal disasters."

That shows that the coming clouds are not quite unobserved there, and it is clear that among the Bulgarians at large numbers of people are getting weary of waiting for that German victory which was to enable them to regard their cause as final.

Bulgarian-German relations are decidedly not improving. A party of Chasseurs d'Afrique, a couple of nights ago, took prisoner on the frontier a German sentry who had fallen asleep. He belongs to the 113th Division. He declares that had feeling is on the increase. All the Bulgarian troops have been withdrawn from the front line, owing to the difference between the two staffs. His division left a few days ago, and took up positions between Dolna and Gievehill. At the same time there arrived at the front two regiments of artillery and a regiment of Saxon dragoons. Considerable quantities of ammunition, he said, are arriving at the front.

INFANTRY DO NOT ATTACK

Fighting on Verdun Front Confined to Artillery and Aerial Activities—German Offensive in Alsace Repulsed.

PARIS, March 13.—The following official communication was issued tonight: "North of Alsace our artillery shattered at several points enemy organizations on the plateau of Vaucourt."

"In Champagne we repulsed three of our heavy artillery were directed against the German works at Malson de Champagne and in the region west of Navarin."

"We carried out destructive fires on the enemy shelters, railroads and organizations in the eastern Argonne."

"North of Verdun the bombardment has increased in intensity west of the Meuse and on Le Mort Homme and in the region of the Bois de Meuse. Our batteries took under their fire enemy forces assembling between Forges and the Corbeaux wood."

"On the right bank of the Meuse and in the Woëvre there was less activity on the part of the two armies. No infantry action occurred during the day."

"In Upper Alsace, east of Seppois, after a spirited artillery preparation, the Germans attacked trenches which we had taken from them in the last three days in Entre Lagues. They were stopped by our barrier and infantry fire. Sections of the enemy returned to their trenches, having suffered severe losses."

"Today our aviators displayed marked activity in the whole of the Verdun region. A squadron of six aeroplanes dropped 130 shells on the strategically important station at Brioules, north of Verdun. A large number of engagements were fought, in which we had the advantage."

"In the course of these combats, three German aeroplanes were brought down, one of them in our lines and the other two inside the German lines."

"Other aeroplanes were observed in the act of falling, but their destruction has not been established."

The Belgian official communication reads: "There was greater artillery activity today along the Belgian front, especially in the sector around Dixmude."

RESERVED LIST IS RESTRICTED

Workmen in Britain Must Be Engaged in Few Occupations to Be Exempt From Military Service.

LONDON, March 13.—The Government today issued a revised list of occupations, employment in which workmen have been exempted. The revision is in accordance with recommendations recently made by Lord Derby, and provides that in the future only those men who are exempted from military service who are similarly employed prior to August 15 last.

As far as possible, the exemptions of those claiming to hold positions of considerable responsibility will be limited to married men over 35 years of age, younger married men to be retained on the reserve in those occupations which are vital to the conduct of the war. Industries concerned in the manufacture of luxuries, such as tobacco, silk and lace, have been eliminated from the reserved list.

ROUMANIA MAY YET JOIN ALLIES

Neutrality Daily Taking Color Favorable to Their Side—Army Increasing in Personnel and Equipment.

ACTION IS TAKEN IN SILISTRIA

Cattle on Bulgarian Border Are Requisitioned—Significant Actions Taken by Roumanian Government.

LONDON, March 14.—The Austrians have confiscated property of Serbs and Croats in Bosnia, Herzegovina and Croatia, amounting to 550,000,000 crowns, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Zurich.

"Roumanian neutrality is daily taking a color more favorable to the Allies," says the Bucharest correspondent of The Daily Chronicle. "A significant fact is the constant increase in the army personnel and equipment, in spite of recent Austro-German requests for Roumanian demobilization."

"Perhaps more significant is the action taken in Silistria, which was ceded to Roumania by Bulgaria after the Balkan war in 1913. Here, owing to the allegations of the activity of pro-Bulgarian propagandists, the Roumanian Government has wiped out the whole pro-Bulgarian system of imprisonment everybody concerned, including the police and administrative officials."

"A further measure has been the suddenly enforced regulation of all cattle on the border, to prevent their being smuggled out of the country."

Germany Want Troops
GENEVA, via Paris, March 13.—Germany has requested Bulgaria to send two divisions to the French front, according to information received here from Bucharest. The Bulgarian Government declined the advance state, owing to the uncertain attitude of Roumania. The correspondent of The Berner Bund at the Austrian headquarters in Albania telegraphs that the Austrians have advanced far southward since their capture of Durazzo, the Italians and Albanians retreating and blowing up bridges behind them. Slight skirmishes only have taken place, but a pitched battle is expected soon near Avlona.

DRIVEN FROM FORT VAUX

German Military Critics Admit Success of French Counter-Attacks

LONDON, March 13.—Dispatches from Berlin today contained the first admission from German sources that the Teutons no longer hold Fort Vaux. An official statement two days ago admitted that the French, by counter-attacks, had gained a foothold in the fort. Major Morant, the military critic of The Berlin Tagblatt, reports that the Posen reserves, who occupied Fort Vaux were driven out, but expresses the hope that their repulse is only temporary.

DRIVEN OUT BY BAYONET ATTACK

South African Troops Force Germans From Entrenchments in Kitovo Hills After Repeated Assaults.

LONDON, March 13.—British forces under Lieut.-General Smuts appointed to the East African command, have had a spirited engagement with the Germans entrenched in the Kitovo Hills, west of Taveta. Positions were taken and re-taken several times and finally the Germans were driven back.

General Smuts, under date of March 12, telegraphs the War Office a brief description of the action, the substance of which was given out tonight as follows: "An action which was commenced on the morning of March 11 against German positions on the foothills to the west of Taveta, resulted in the most obstinate battle continuing all night. The most formidable obstacle was presented by a strong force of the enemy. In the course of the engagement portions of this position were taken and re-taken several times. A final bayonet attack between 9 o'clock and midnight by two columns of South African infantry secured a hold which enabled them to maintain the position until reinforced the following morning, when it was seen German and native troops were retreating toward Kaka, to the south-westward."

Out Of From Main Body
"While this engagement was proceeding one of General Smuts' mounted brigades engaged in clearing the enemy's force from the foothills to the northeast of Killmanjaro. These had been cut off from their main body by a rapid advance on March 8, 9 and 10. Movements are in progress to bar the retreat of these, isolated in a forest, to the westward."

"Simultaneously, with these actions a strong column under General Stewart, coming from the direction of Longwe, appeared from Arusha-Moshi road in the rear of the German organization. The enemy consequently is retreating southward toward the Usambara railroad. The present is being continued."

REFUGEES IN RUSSIA

Petrograd, Moscow and Other Large Cities Are Filled to Overflowing

LONDON, March 13.—The Petrograd correspondent of The Morning Chronicle, in a dispatch filed March 9, tells of present conditions in the interior of Russia. After describing his journey through a large district from Petrograd and the new spirit of thoroughness that has arisen among the various officials with whom a traveler comes in contact, as well as the military authorities, the correspondent turns to the refugee problem.

"There are said to be, on reliable authority, some 400,000 refugees in Petrograd, which number does not, of course, include the German and Austrian subjects who in the first months of the war, from their homes in the Baltic Provinces and along the Russo-German frontiers were sent to points in the interior of Russia. The present refugees are Russian subjects, who were living in the regions invaded last Autumn by the Germans, or in places so exposed to attack that the Russian authorities ordered them to leave for the sake of safety."

"The great majority of the fugitives fled naturally to Moscow and Petrograd and to other large cities, where they could feel fairly safe, and every hotel, lodging or boarding house is full to overflowing, and people are sleeping in the bathrooms, even in the large Petrograd hotels. Private families have opened their doors to their relatives and friends with the usual boundless Russian hospitality, and have cheerfully inconvenienced themselves for months."

PROHIBITION IS ENDORSED

Manitoba Temperance Act, When Submitted to People, Carries by More Than Two to One Majority.

WINNIPEG, March 13.—By a vote of more than two to one the Province of Manitoba voted today in favor of the Manitoba Temperance Act, which closes all bars, wholesale licenses and club licenses throughout the Province from June 1, next. Liquor may still be imported by private persons from outside provinces, and the manufacture of liquor in the province for export is still permitted. These are the constitutional limitations placed on the province in legislation along this line by the Federal authorities, but to remove these limitations a mass meeting of citizens tonight, amid great enthusiasm, endorsed a resolution calling on Sir Robert Borden and his Government at Ottawa to introduce a Dominion-wide prohibition act.

The returns are incomplete in many instances, as comparatively few of the rural constituencies have reported in full, the bad state of the roads being against prompt returns from country points.

The three Winnipeg constituencies gave a combined majority of 4,488 in favor of the vote, with one poll still to come forward from Centre Winnipeg, which gave a majority of 1,777 for prohibition. South Winnipeg went dry by a majority of 2,705. North Winnipeg alone gave a majority against, but only by the narrow margin of fourteen. The city vote for prohibition was 5,704. This undoubtedly constituted the most significant aspect of the result as the "wet" interests chiefly relied on a majority in the city to offset the country temperance vote. As a speaker at the mass meeting tonight declared, the vote of Winnipeg City is a clarion call to the neighboring Province of Ontario to get into line.

Only two constituencies gave majorities against the Act, these being North Winnipeg and St. Boniface, with a combined vote against the Act of 59. A notable feature was the fact that the foreign speaking district, particularly Icelandic and Scandinavian colonies, gave enormous majorities in favor of prohibition. Every soldier's poll in the Province went "dry."

With three places to hear from the result of the vote is as follows: For the Act, 12,607; against, 10,942. Majority, 2,555 for the Act.

AEROPLANES ARE BROUGHT DOWN

Three of Enemy's Machines Put Out of Action by British—Considerable Artillery Activity Reported.

LONDON, March 13.—The British official statement issued tonight says: "The enemy exploded mines near Carroy and on the La Bassée-Bethune road, without damage. Today we carried out successful bombardments near Manet, on the Lille-Armstrong railway and Hooge. About Loos and southward from Bully and Greny there was considerable artillery activity."

"Yesterday there was much aerial activity on both sides. Thirty-two hostile machines were engaged. One was driven down near Lille and a second was shot down on our lines. Today another German machine was forced to descend in our lines."

Van Tighes II
LONDON, March 13.—Admiral Alfred von Tirpitz, Minister of the German navy, has been ill for several days, says a dispatch from Amsterdam, and the business of the Ministry of Marine has been handed over to the oldest ranking officer.

Was to Visit Dominion



ADMIRAL SIR JOHN JELlicoe, Commander-in-Chief of Grand Fleet

Sir Robert Borden stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the British Government had agreed to send Sir John Jellicoe to Canada in August, 1914, to assist the Canadian Government in formulating a permanent naval policy. The war prevented this arrangement.

WILL AID TURKS

Germany Said to Be Sending Submarines Into Black Sea

LONDON, March 14.—Five German submarines, of 1,000 tons displacement, are going to the Dardanelles, on their way to the Black sea to aid Turkey in the fight with the Russian fleet, says The Daily Mail's correspondent at Athens. This, the correspondent adds, is believed to be the reason why many mines and nets are being removed from the Dardanelles.

Bulgarians Executed

AMSTERDAM, via London, March 14.—A dispatch from The Handelsblad from Brussels says that seven of nine Bulgarian soldiers sentenced to death for treason have been executed. Three others were convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment, while thirty others were given various terms of penal servitude. Six men on trial were acquitted.

TURKS ARE AGAIN DRIVEN BACK

Offensive of Russia's Army of the Caucasus Is Continued—Enemy Patrols Defeated on Galician Front.

PETROGRAD, March 13.—The official statement issued today says: "Western front.—In the Riga district there has been the usual rifle firing, with raids by skirmishers. A German armored motor car, which tried to bombard our trenches was driven off by our artillery. During the campaign in the Ikšķul district, we observed the explosion of our shells among the enemy batteries and German detachments who were attempting to approach the village of Borikviki."

"In the Jacobstadt sector the Germans bombarded the district around the Neudorf station. Near Tennesfeld, on the Dvinsk front lively artillery, rifle and grenade actions have occurred."

"On the Galician front, in the region to the southeast of Kolki and the Middle Strypa, we fought several successful engagements with enemy patrols, in the course of which we captured an entire field post, consisting of thirty men."

"In the Caucasus we have again driven back the Turks in the region of Kalapatan River."

"In Persia, in the course of operations against Kermanshah, our troops captured eight guns."

STARRED OCCUPATIONS

British Government Review List in Accordance With Lord Derby's Recommendations

LONDON, March 13.—With a view to freeing more men for active service in the army, the Government has revised the list of starred occupations, employment in which hitherto has exempted workmen. It is expected official details will be issued immediately.

The revision is in accordance with the recent recommendations of the Earl of Derby. In cases where it is found impossible to remove occupations altogether from the starred list, men under 30 years will be replaced by women or order men.

Appointed at Anyon
PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., March 13.—William Fortune, wanted for desertion from the 114th Regiment, New Westminster, has been arrested at Anyon.

NAVAL MEASURE FOR EMERGENCY

Sir Robert Borden Lays Before Parliament Imperial Reasons for Proposals of Three Years Ago.

DEBATE STARTED BY MR. MACDONALD

Admiral Sir John Jellicoe to Have Come to Canada if Outbreak of War Had Not Prevented.

OTTAWA, March 13.—Parliament was treated to a genuine sensation late tonight for which Mr. Macdonald, of Pictou, was primarily responsible. Mr. Macdonald precipitated a debate on the naval questions. Why he did so no one could understand.

For the first time it was made public that the famous Admiralty memorandum laid the table of Parliament during the naval debate three years ago, was not the only justification that the Government had for its emergency naval policy of three dreadnoughts for the British navy. Sir Robert Borden stated tonight that a secret memorandum from the British Government on the conditions in Europe was sent to him, and he showed this to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had permission to make its contents known to all the former members of his cabinet then in Parliament.

It is not known what was in the memorandum, but it is understood that the British Government in the frankest manner placed before the Canadian statesmen the great danger of the Empire being embroiled in a European war. In face of this solemn warning, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers deliberated, bickered the naval aid bill, and ridiculed the idea that war was imminent or the Empire in danger. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not present, but Messrs. Pugsley, Graham and Lemieux, who had been made familiar with this secret document in 1913, were there, and made no attempt to refute the Premier's statement, or to minimize the warning which they disregarded.

Sir Robert Borden made another almost equally important announcement. The naval aid bill of 1913, he said, was an emergency measure to see in some way prepared to meet the danger of which they had been warned.

The Government had always intended to submit their permanent policy to the people. In 1914 arrangements had been made with the British Government whereby Sir John Jellicoe, now Admiral of the Grand Fleet, was to visit Canada in August, 1914, to assist the Canadian Government in formulating a permanent naval policy. The outbreak of the war on August 4 prevented Sir John from coming to Canada.

The Premier also stated that at the outbreak of the war he had asked the British Government in what direction Canada could best assist the Empire in this struggle, and if they wished any assistance from us in naval defence. The reply was that it would be of greater assistance by directing all our energies to military organization, and that the two Tendo torments on the Tofano di Massif in the upper valley of the Boites torrent, and the Copena and Reinlianco valleys.

"On the Isonzo front incessant rains and fog hindered our artillery activity during the greater part of the day. The afternoon bombardment, however, was resumed with great violence and was especially intense in the region of the Plava. After careful preparation with artillery fire, and despite the bad weather, our infantry, helped by machine guns and bombing detachments, charged against the enemy positions, thereby continuing the destruction of his defences."

"Toward the church-towered San Martino, in the Carso region, we noticed several large explosions caused by our bombs."

"The enemy also displayed greater activity along the entire front."

OWNED IN GERMANY

Securities to Value of Ten Million Dollars Held Up in Mails by British Authorities

LONDON, March 13.—Securities valued at £2,000,000 and suspected as being of German ownership, seized from mails in transit, are now in the possession of the prize court, according to an announcement today by the Foreign Office.

Securities have not yet been declared absolute contraband, but it is possible they will soon be placed on the contraband list.

The authorities declare that innocent ownership can be easily proved by reference to the banks which held any of the securities.

PIER IS ABLAZE

Structure of Intercolonial Railroad at Halifax Is Endangered

HALIFAX, N.S., March 13.—At 2:30 this morning fire broke out on the old pier No. 2, Intercolonial Railroad, and looks serious. The 6th Battalion is quartered on the pier No. 2, about 180 yards away, but apparently there is no danger to the barracks. A general alarm has been turned in.

Offered for Hospital
MONTREAL, March 13.—The Gazette's correspondent in London called last night: "Another compliment to Canada is the offer by Premier Asquith's sister-in-law, Mrs. Tennant, of Lymington Castle as a Canadian convalescent hospital. Offers have been made to Mrs. Standford Fleming to transfer her hospital, now at Belling, near Canterbury, to Lymington (pronounced Linn), which is near Hythe. The castle is an enormous gray stone structure, 100 feet above the sea, overlooking the channel. The proposition was made by the consideration of the director of the medical service. Professor Simpson, inventor of the famous septic ray, has made an offer to Mrs. Fleming to install a complete 'X' ray apparatus, of the latest type, in the castle, for the treatment of patients in cleaning and healing wounds."

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Colonist, March 14, 1866.)
The fire-destroyers T. Marston and John Tracy appeared yesterday before the police magistrate charged with contravening the prohibition of a branch of the peace by engaging in a prize fight on Sussex Hill, Inspector Smith testified to the truth of the information, and Mr. Marston ordered Marston and Tracy to enter into bonds to keep the peace for six months commencing in 1866.
New Town.—Tonight there will be a performance in the New Town Hall, when some of the finest talent will be seen. The programme is as follows: Miss E. E. a soprano, who arrived by the steamer, and the popular Little Nell. Miss E. E. will sing in the afternoon and in the evening. Mr. J. J. a tenor, who arrived by the steamer, will sing in the afternoon and in the evening. The ball spring dancing—Messrs. Thomas Harris and J. J. P. will both preside by the Sir James Douglas, on a station band. It is foreseen in connection with the representatives of Ball Spring Island.



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Dr. S. F. Tolmie Tells Stockbreeders That Meat Packing Trusts Are Threatening Canada—Warns Producers.

Dr. S. F. Tolmie, vice-president of the British Columbia Stockbreeders' Association, served notice on the livestock men of Western Canada yesterday that the time has come when they will have to take steps to protect themselves against the big meat packing trusts that are springing up on the northern half of this continent. Already he declared the meat trusts have the American growers in their grip and the next assault will be the attempt of the Canadian trusts to tie up Canadian producers.

"During the last two years the livestock farmers in the corn belt of the United States have been losing money," said Dr. Tolmie. "But at the same time the slaughtering interests have been making great profits. I attended the meeting of the American National Association of Livestock men in El Paso last year and there is no doubt in the minds of stockmen that the violent fluctuations in the market are not due to the old laws of supply and demand. A notable fact has been a most remarkable diminution of late years in the competition amongst buyers despite the increase in population and demand."

"At present the demand for beef is good but the returns for the first nine months of 1915 show that \$16,000,000 pounds of beef less were exported from the United States than during the first nine months of the previous year. At the same time imports decreased by over 30 per cent. The same returns show however that although there is a real cattle shortage in the United States cattle prices paid the producers are now 8 per cent under those of a year ago. In eight years the number of cattle in the United States has been reduced by about 22 per cent. Along with this however there has been a decided shrinkage in the consumption of beef, this amounting to between 10 and 11 per cent in spite of the increase in population."

"Many of these conditions are due to the large packing house interests. They are well organized and able to carry out any policy they decide on. The Government of the United States has tried finding some of the powerful combines in order to restrain their activities. But it is found that they are so powerful they merely laugh in the face of the Government. When they are fined \$50,000 they turn around and drop the price paid to the producer by one-half a cent until the amount of the fine is made up."

"But there is no reason why the live stock interests with their several billions of capital should not be equally well organized to fight back, and conduct a campaign to secure better markets and distribution facilities. As Western Canada will develop into one of the greatest live stock countries, it behooves the stockmen here to unite and strengthen the union in every way possible to prevent and overcome many of the market evils prevalent south of the line. The Western Canada Live Union was formed in 1912 and embraces all the territory west of the Great Lakes. It was felt necessary to form such a union to enable the stockmen to deal with the large questions of transport and marketing."

Dr. Tolmie declared that Argentina is the greatest competitor of this continent in the production of live stock. The progress there in the last few years has been tremendous. In 1912 there were 20,000,000 head of cattle in the South American Republic. Last year there were 30,000,000. This is about 25 head to the square mile. The average of the United States is 15. Along with the increase in numbers has been a striking improvement in quality. Argentina breeders have been paying the highest prices in Great Britain for pedigree stock, in one case \$4,000 being the amount paid for one animal. Alfalfa is being introduced as a forage crop. In 1912 there were 16,500,000 acres of this crop, which, with cheap labor, enables the Argentina stockman to produce at a lower price than the American.

AGAINST BI-LINGUALISM

Rev. Dr. Kincaid, Chairman of Toronto Methodist District, Preaches Strong Sermon

TORONTO, March 12.—"Shall the towers of bi-lingualism and multi-lingualism prevent a unified Dominion of Canada—a nation one in purpose and aim?" asked Rev. Dr. W. H. Kincaid, chairman of the Central Toronto Methodist District, on Sunday evening, when he denounced the influences that would, he said, "divide the Dominion into racial cliques, and make it a polyglot nation."

He declared that the growth of bi-lingualism in Canada is a question that must be confronted with all the seriousness possible by the authorities at Queen's Park and Ottawa, that there must be only one official language in the Dominion outside of Quebec, "which was granted the privilege by the mistaken generosity of the British Government."

In a five-minute prelude to his evening sermon, Dr. Kincaid stated the recruiting figures for the Dominion, and asked "Is Canada confronted with conscription? Are we going to allow every other province in the Dominion outside of Quebec to be bled white for men to allow that province to be divided by its language and its prejudices?" Concluding, he said: "When bi-lingualism produces brave men, who are ready to die for their country, when bi-lingualism produces its fair proportion to the other systems, we can then take time to listen to its claims, but not before. So far it has broken down, so guard every province against it, because if you have many languages, you have many purposes. If we want the hyphenated Canadian, then allow bi-lingualism to prevail."

Killed by Falling Tree
CHATHAM, ONT., March 12.—E. Low, 47, was killed on his farm near Bethwell, on Saturday, when he was struck by a falling tree.

Queen Victoria Ill
STOCKHOLM, March 12.—Queen Victoria of Sweden is suffering from an attack of bronchitis.

F. L. Haynes moves watchmaker and jeweler.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

OTTAWA, March 12.—Last night's list of casualties, which contained 23 names, reported nine men dead, ten wounded, two seriously ill and two suffering from shell shock.

The list indicates that part of the Canadian corps was in action on March 2, when the British regained a half-mile of trenches from the Germans on the Ypres-Comines front. Six members of the 18th Battalion are reported killed in action or wounded on that date, which bears out the impression in military circles here that infantry, as well as the artillery, had a share in the victory, as the Canadian corps was known to be operating in that region.

The list follows:

1st Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Pte. C. F. Constant, Wardsville, Ont.

2nd Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Wm. Jeffery, England.

3rd Battalion
(Shell Shock)
Pte. S. Geo. Davis, Toronto.

4th Battalion
(Dangerously Wounded)
Pte. John McLaren, Scotland.

7th Battalion
(Wounded)
Pte. W. G. Dally, England.

11th Battalion
(Seriously Ill)
Pte. E. Edmonds, England.

18th Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Pte. D. Colvin, Lobo, Ont.
Pte. Geo. Munro, Scotland.
Sgt. Harold S. Gardiner, England.
Pte. R. Gadsby, Ireland.
Pte. J. Bass, England.
(Wounded)
Pte. J. McCausland, St. Thomas, Ont.

21st Battalion
(Suffering From Shell Shock)
Pte. W. Sutton, Soborg, Ont.

24th Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Pte. A. Grenier. (No address given.)
(Wounded)
Pte. H. J. Dayluc, Channel Islands.

26th Battalion
(Wounded)
Pte. A. Jacob, Montreal.

42nd Battalion
(Dangerously Wounded)
Pte. W. M. N. Fairbairn, Esterhazy, Sask.
(Severely Wounded)
Pte. D. Warrender, Scotland.
(Wounded)
Pte. J. E. Brewer, England.

50th Battalion
(Died)
Pte. H. G. Read, Upper Rockport, N.B.

41st Battery Caa. Field Artillery
(Seriously Ill)
Gnr. John A. Scott, Victoria Harbor, Ont.

CONFERENCE OF SCANDINAVIANS

Ministers in Council at Copenhagen Discuss Problems Arising Out of Neutrality of Their Countries.

COPENHAGEN, March 13, via London, March 13.—It now seems fairly settled that the recent conference of Scandinavian ministers of state was called not because of any pending situation affecting Scandinavia as a whole, but anticipatory of problems expected to arise in the near future. It was considered desirable, especially by Sweden, that the outlook be discussed and the agreement be renewed for prompt action on matters affecting the three countries alike. This does not necessarily mean that these nations will take up jointly any dispute of a single country, but that they will be sure to act vigorously together where the principle involved applies to all.

No immediate action is expected as the result of the conference, as neither Denmark nor Norway is excited or alarmed because of the British examination of parcel post, and relations are not regarded as seriously impaired. The ministers who attended the conference, however, made no attempt to disguise the apprehension of all of the Scandinavian countries, concerning the future, and there was a wholesome agreement that it was necessary to have a complete understanding of the situation and a continued effort to place the neutrality of Scandinavia on such a high plane that it would be bound to be recognized as impartial by the belligerent countries. In this respect the ministers were in complete accord.

The coming Spring and Summer are regarded as crucial to the northern countries because of the possible naval activities in the Baltic Sea, and the attempts by both sides to give effect to their respective blockades. Scandinavia depends on export and import trade, and their stoppage would cause genuine distress. As the situation develops during the Spring there will be another conference, while many well informed believed that, should the worst fears be realized, America might be asked to use her good offices as the greatest neutral power in favor of smaller states.

CARDINAL GOTTI ILL

Prefect of Propaganda at Rome Is Recipient of Last Rites of Church

ROME, March 12.—Cardinal Gotti, Prefect of the Propaganda, is gravely ill. He was given the last rites of the church this afternoon. Cardinal Gotti was given the red hat in 1893. His office of prefect of the propaganda is one of the most influential in the Catholic church. All missionary lands, including some parts of America and Africa, are under the jurisdiction of his office. He was born at Genoa, March 15, 1826.

Last September Cardinal Gotti, while in his office, fainting and fell, his head striking violently against the floor. A slight concussion of the brain followed.

Stratford Man Drowned
BRANTFORD, ONT., March 12.—According to word received here on Saturday, Thomas D. James, formerly of Brantford, was burned to death in a fire at El Paso, Texas. He was a saddle manufacturer.

FINANCE HOLDS

KEY TO WARFARE

Germany's Ability to Continue Struggle Largely Depends on Money Resources—Great Britain's Determination.

LONDON, March 12.—The belief is now generally held that developments of the highest importance regarding the war as a whole may be looked for in the next few months.

The best indication of the real position, in the judgment of students, is obtainable neither from the British nor the German press, but from such cold facts as the depreciation of the reichsmark and the known anxiety of German financiers concerning results at Verdun. Whether that action was or was not accelerated by the pending German loan, a complete failure of the attack might easily be far-reaching, even if not of conclusive consequence, while the public is now fully prepared for all possible exactions in the forthcoming budget of taxation. A campaign is undoubtedly extending for the protection of British commerce from attacks by the Germans after the war. This movement bases itself on the extent to which the war has shown Germany's politics, finance and trade to have been harnessed together in the past.

In view of the severity of the impending military engagements and the unprecedented employment of artillery during the past fortnight, and in view of the large bodies of new troops which British partial conscription is creating there is no likelihood that orders for munitions will relax to any large extent. Furthermore, the belief is firmly held here that each new violation by Germany of the principles of humane warfare renders any inconclusive peace impossible.

No one can pretend that he is able to know the actual present feeling of the whole German people, but the two considerations which give the backbone of the matter are the belief that the German public has been grossly misled regarding the real position, and that their government's financial tactics were consistent only with an early victory.

HIGH SEAS FLEET MUST COME OUT

"Der Tag" Has Nearly Arrived, and British Naval Supremacy Is to Be Challenged by Germany.

ROTTERDAM, March 13, via London, March 12.—Germany's canal-bound fleet is preparing to move. For many weeks, information has been received, and one is now able to state that the vaunted high seas fleet is to make an attempt to justify its proud title. The correspondent has learned that the famous toast "Der Tag" (The Day), is being drunk with an enthusiasm that heralds imminent action.

The question will at once be asked: Why should the German fleet accept battle now after refusing to fight for nineteen months? What has happened in the meantime to give her admirals greater courage and endeavor ships with greater power? The answer is organization, what triumphs of invention have occurred to send the German high seas fleet to do battle with the mightiest navy of all times?

The answer to these questions is as simple as a sum in subtraction. The German navy is going to fight because it was built to fight. Acting on the theory that if she loses the war, Germany will lose her fleet, German statesmen naturally take the view that if the fleet is to be lost its destruction must first cost the enemy some sacrifice. But the Germans will not sacrifice their prized fleet merely for the sake of national sentiment. They will not send their ships to destruction in the North Sea merely to save themselves the humiliation of seeing them towed out of the Kiel Canal. The naval staff is about to challenge Britain's naval supremacy, because it thinks it can deal that supremacy a severe blow.

Potato Cards Now
BERLIN, March 12, via London, March 12.—Potato cards, the issuance of which has been made necessary by the shortage due, it is asserted, to speculative holding out for higher prices, will take their place alongside the bread and butter cards in Berlin on March 20.

The first cards will cover a sixty-day period, and allow the holders to purchase eleven English pounds of potatoes every twelve days, probably at the uniform price of 85 pfennigs. The general potato situation during the sixty days will determine whether the plan must be continued.

In announcing this step, Burgomaster von Wermuth said that the population had of late been living, so far as potatoes were concerned, from hand to mouth. He anticipated, however, that all the difficulties would be over in a few days.

Owing to the recent shortage in bread, the military authorities forbade the production of all cakes between March 11 and March 19, inclusive, made from rye or potato flour, and their sale between March 11 and 19. This step was taken on complaint of many bakers that other bakers, which are not short of flour, were using it for cakes, rather than for bread.

The shortage is due to unequal distribution, which it is said will be remedied within the week.

Looking For Farm Help
TORONTO, March 12.—At the beginning of this week, the Ontario Government will have five or six agents on the other side of the line securing farm help. Two or three representatives have been over for the last week or so, and the reports so far are said to be very encouraging. The Americans will be brought over in small parties, and they will be placed immediately on arrival. Three agents will be in the State of New York working around Syracuse and Rochester, and two in Michigan.

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HARRIS, ONT., March 12.—W. H. S. Taylor, of Port Huron, a veteran of the Spanish-American war, and a former detective of the Chicago police force, has received word of his appointment to a captaincy in the American Legion, Toronto. Captain Taylor is a direct descendant of Guy Fawkes.

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CRITICISM IS VERY SUBDUED

Member for Nanaimo Indulges in No Verbal Pyrotechnics—Messrs. S. A. Cawley and R. H. Pooley Heard in Debate.

Progress was made yesterday in the Legislature in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne and whereas, on previous afternoons, but one speaker, or two at the most, could secure the floor and make their speeches, yesterday saw three members participate. Mr. John Place, Socialist member for Nanaimo, was very restrained compared with those of previous sessions, when he was wont to make personal attacks upon ministers of the Government. This year he appeared to be almost subdued. Mr. Samuel A. Cawley, member for Chilliwack, dwelt upon the Government's far-sighted policies, especially in respect to the development of the agricultural and mineral resources, and also eulogized the ship-building proposal, a subject on which Mr. R. H. Pooley, member for Esquimalt, also spoke at length. The latter dealt with Liberal criticisms which have blamed the present financial depression upon alleged sins of omission or commission of the Government, and showed how the world conditions were primarily due to the war and were responsible to a very great extent for the back-swing of railway construction. The adjournment of the debate was moved by Mr. M. A. Macdonald, newly-elected Liberal member for Vancouver, who will have the floor this afternoon.

Is in the Dark

Asserting that from the speech from the Throne there was no indication as to the exact position of the Government in respect to questions of great importance to the people, the member for Nanaimo urged that the House be further enlightened thereon. Many allegations had been made by the Government speakers on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne as to the status of the member for Newcastle in the Opposition ranks. It had been chiefly due to that gentleman that the elections of the Province were today cognizant of the record of the Government, and their opinion had been formed solely on the basis of the recent by-elections. The member for Grand Forks had appeared quite "touchy" in his reference to the Liberal tactics, and had asserted the Liberals had brought in voters from as far away as New York. The Conservatives had gone one better by bringing voters from the graveyard. In the past the Government had been wont to treat the Opposition as a joke, but today, following the expression of opinion by the electors at the recent elections, the spectacle of an appeal by the Government to the Opposition to make a full investigation of the Government's record, is seen. In past years no such invitation had been extended.

Mr. Place, relative to the remarks of the member for Grand Forks concerning the presence of Chinamen in the mines and their legal right to be so employed, declared the only justification he could see for such remarks was that the Grand Forks member was preaching a new Conservatism. The Government was seeking to explain the recent vote, but it was not difficult to explain. The records of the Government as set out in the public accounts and the proceedings of previous sessions was ample explanation. The Premier had lavished promises upon Victoria electors, but when Victoria had hitherto a reputation for its willingness to be bought, this time it rose to the occasion.

While he admitted he had always been anti-military, the member for Nanaimo declared the Opposition was prepared to go to the fullest length in providing for returned soldiers. If the press reports of a recent meeting of such men held at Vancouver were correct, it was a disgrace that so little attention had so far been paid to the men's needs. Placing the men on the land appeared to be one of the chief solutions, but how were they to live, how overcome the difficulties of land clearing, unless assisted? An employment committee had been formed, but the services of such a practical man as the member for Newcastle had not been enlisted, though as a rancher and a man fully cognizant of conditions, his services on that body would have been invaluable. At the present time the returned soldiers were practically living on charity; some of them could only secure work at sweeping out bars. They did not want charity, but honorable employment. What assistance did the Government propose to give them, and why could not the Government take the Opposition into its confidence?

Mr. Place was not particularly satisfied.

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ried with the appointment of Hon. Lorne A. Campbell to the portfolio of Minister of Mines. He admitted that perhaps it was the best material to be secured, but that was not saying much for the Government timber. The new minister had never once failed to support the machine.

On Familiar Ground

Mr. Place spoke at length on the subject of the Oriental, pointing to the fishing industry in his own district as evidence of the almost complete control which the Oriental, especially the Japanese, had secured. Seven new companies, recently organized to exploit the fisheries, were composed of Japanese. Unless some steps were taken to remedy matters, the whites would find themselves in a serious predicament. Did the Government, which would not allow Chinese on Crown lands, intend to follow a similar course in respect to the ships which it was proposed, under the proposed shipping policy, would be built and operated? Why not provide, under that policy, that the sawmill operators who did not employ Oriental labor should be the only ones to secure building contracts. Unless action were taken, the Orientals would soon be running the Government. It might be suggested to the Attorney-General that quite a number of mining certificates are held by Chinese, but are not now being used. These might be cancelled, and British subjects looking for work might be given preference.

The member for Comox, Mr. Place stated, had had much to say of the remarkable natural resources of that district, but it might also be pointed out that that section possessed the distinction of being the only portion of the British Empire where Chinese were allowed in coal mining. Despite the numerous vast resources of the Province, thousands of people left the Province last year, and, after allowance was made for the men who enlisted, there were from 50,000 to 60,000 who left simply because they could not make a living. The Province had been paying as high as \$5 per head to bring in men to work on railways, but now they could not be held. Something was radically wrong, and required investigation and a remedy.

Mr. Place withheld any opinion on the Workmen's Compensation Act until the measure was before the House. There was no assurance that the promises held out would be fulfilled. He urged that the Government handle the liability fund, instead of allowing the insurance companies to do so, past experience having shown the great difficulty and expense a claimant had to meet to secure a settlement. Delay in settlement of claims should be strictly eliminated.

Mr. Place, referring to the statement alleged to have been made by the Minister of Mines to the effect that the recent coal miners' strike on Vancouver Island had been caused by the fact that an American mine manager had discovered he could not make his mines pay, cited it as ample reason why the previous Legislature should have headed the request of himself and the member for Newcastle for an investigation. Had such an investigation been held, the immense loss and suffering subsequently caused by the strike might have been avoided. But the Government was then lined up to a man against that request, and the result was known to all. And yet, the member for Grand Forks could come forward at this stage and charge the members for Nanaimo and Newcastle with being inimical to the interests of the Province and workers. If ever the electors of the Province came to understand the manner in which that strike had been handled by the Government, they would turn out the Government bag and baggage. There could be no doubt but that the offer now being pressed by every Government member that the Opposition should have full opportunity to investigate into the records of the Government was nothing more than an eleventh-hour repentance forced by the result of the three recent by-elections.

Chilliwack's Congratulations

Congratulations to Premier Bowser on his accession to the high office of the Province. The member for Chilliwack, who also testified to his great appreciation of the work of the former Premier, Sir Richard McBride, who he was certain, would do excellent work in behalf of the Province in his new position in England. To the retiring Agent-General, Hon. J. H. Turner, tribute was also paid. The result of the recent elections in Vancouver and Victoria was not, the speaker believed, due to any opposition to the Government's policies, but that a stronger Opposition was believed by the electors to be advisable. He paid a tribute to the men who had enlisted from British Columbia for active service, and pointed with pride to the record of his own district, from whence 250 to 300 young men had gone. One was today on the firing line, and he was having either made the supreme sacrifice, been wounded, or were prisoners in the hands of the enemy. But the Province was still just as determined to give to the utmost in defence of its traditions.

Pointing to the close association of the agricultural and mining industries in the Province, Mr. Cawley urged care in the carrying out of provisions having for their object the development of these resources. In view of the limited population and means, no Province could afford to neglect the agricultural department, and the farmer appreciated the interest the Government was showing in the industry. An increase of over \$700,000 had been shown in agricultural products, and the importation of \$15,000,000 in farm products had been a good thing to a certain extent as it was evidence of a condition which kept up the value of farm products at a higher average level. The Agriculture Credits Act, than which no other Province possessed a better measure, would prove of first importance.

The mining industry might well be assisted along lines similar to those contemplated under the Agricultural Credits Act. The suggestion had been made that the prospector might be assisted. In the past, years ago, roads and trails had been built for the convenience of the prospector when they were of no use for any other purpose. Some aid in the treatment of ore might be possible. In the past much had been said about over-capitalization and of people losing their money in mining ventures. Mining was as legitimate an industry as any other, but the promoter had been to blame. If some scheme could be developed whereby a mining inspector could be placed in the field to report on prospects before stock was sold it would materially protect the public and the industry.

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The shipbuilding proposals of the Governments were, Mr. Cawley maintained, most timely. Transportation facilities were the chief problem before the Government as all were cognizant of the difficulties owing to lack of bottoms consequent upon the war. The Liberal member for Victoria had expressed his fear of a politically built marine. Had he intended any reference to the Liberal built G. T. P., which cost many millions more than it should; to that famous canal undertaking in the East where more millions were lavished and which today holds not a drop of water; or to those Liberal built sawdust wharves on the Atlantic Coast?

Mr. Cawley urged some Government assistance to the project known as the Sumas Dyking scheme where 30,000 acres of the finest agricultural land could be rendered available for cultivation. The Dominion Government had granted 11,000 acres to assist in the reclamation scheme and prominent engineers had reported the scheme entirely feasible. The Chilliwack municipality last year produced farm products of a value of \$1,758,579 on 21,907 acres. The land in the Sumas Dyking area, on the same basis, was capable of producing \$2,256,000, or about one-eighth of the total farm production of the Province last year. Previous Governments had been averse to undertaking the scheme as a Government work but the present Government might fittingly guarantee interest on the bonds of any company which would undertake to carry the work through.

Mr. R. H. Pooley, member for Esquimalt, referring to the gratification which all must feel at the growing strength of the Allies and the success which had been experienced by the French forces in repulsing the recent attacks by the enemy in front of Verdun, paid tribute to the gallant stand made by Montenegro and Serbia, commented upon the wonderful efforts of Canada to do her share in the defence of the Empire, and especially the readiness with which the men of British Columbia had rallied to the colors. Three members of the Provincial Legislature were at the front, one of whom, Captain Hayward, he had just received a letter stating he was about to leave England for France. Tribute was paid to Sir Richard McBride as the greatest of the nation some of the Province and an expression of good wishes for the future of Sir Richard and Lady McBride was voiced

by Mr. Pooley.
The member for Esquimalt expressed his disgust at the uncalculated attacks made by the Liberals and Liberal press on Sir Richard in respect to the submarine purchase, but he noticed that since the Royal Commission had investigated the circumstances of the purchase the critics had subsided. It was a problem of interest to speculate upon what the Victoria Times would have had to say had a German ship come into this port and dropped a shell on that publication's headquarters. It was all very well for the Liberals to stir up the question in the middle provinces where coast defence was not a live issue. The submarines undoubtedly saved Victoria and Vancouver, and the people of this Coast were fully convinced of that fact.

Depression Due to War
Dealing with the Liberal denials that the existing financial depression was due to the war, Mr. Pooley outlined conditions immediately preceding the

outbreak of war, showed how Germany had been preparing for years not only her men and materials but also her financial resources and how her efforts to unload foreign securities before hostilities began had depressed the money markets of the world. The world's struggle was anticipated in financial circles long before fighting actually began. These facts should be known to the critics of the Government. It was not to be wondered at that great railway construction projects felt the stringency and found it practically impossible to float their securities where-with to secure financial means to prosecute their works. Even admitting that British Columbia was lagging behind the other provinces in a financial way, yet it must be remembered this Province had lacked the stimulus of munition contracts and other war orders, and one of its greatest industries, the lumbering business, had been almost paralyzed because of shortage of shipping tonnage consequent upon the

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CANADA AND A NAVAL POLICY

The war has proved an unanswerable vindication of Sir Robert Borden's policy whereby he wished in 1913 to insure that the Dominion would do her part in the common defence of the Empire. The statements made by the Premier in Parliament yesterday constitute the gravest indictment of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers for their obstructionist tactics during the debate on the Naval Aid Bill that has yet been forthcoming. The Liberal delibately prevented the Dominion from playing her part in the naval arena in the present war, although Sir Wilfrid Laurier and all his chief lieutenants were placed in possession of information which was as solemn as any warning could well be.

There was absolutely no attempt made in Parliament to refute the Premier's statements for the simple reason there could have been no refutation. The criticism advanced by the Liberal leaders that Sir Robert Borden in introducing his Naval Aid Bill was pledging the country to a contribution policy has also met its quietus for all time. The Canadian Government had made an arrangement with the British Government whereby Sir John Jellicoe was to come to this country in August, 1914, to assist in the formulation of a permanent naval policy, but the outbreak of the war prevented this being fulfilled. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, by rejecting the advice of the Admiralty, and by influencing the Senate against the Naval Aid Bill, has not enhanced his reputation in the Dominion in the light of subsequent events.

THE WAR

There were no new developments in the sector of Verdun on Sunday or yesterday. So far as can be judged from outward appearances, the attack is subsiding, but the people of Paris are not yet of the opinion that the offensive has been abandoned. They await further German attempts with equanimity, for, while admitting the seriousness of such onslaughts as have been made, they remain confident that the French lines cannot be broken, even if Verdun itself should fall, which they regard as extremely unlikely. Le Matin publishes a statement that the Kaiser has ordered that Verdun shall be taken, no matter at what cost. A similar statement in regard to Calais was attributed to him more than a year ago. Some of the German papers are indulging in very wild talk about what will be done with France if she does not make a separate peace. This sort of thing is not expected to affect France. It is published in the hope that it will buoy up German courage, which must be sadly in need of some stimulant after twenty-two days of frightful losses. Scores upon scores of trainloads of wounded men have been taken into Germany from the Verdun battle front. Such terrible sacrifices must be explained in some way to the German people, and hence the attempt to create the impression that France is being driven into a position that will lead her to abandon the cause of the Allies.

The situation is very serious for the Central Empires. Spring is coming on and the Russian army, stronger and better supplied than ever, will be able to take the field in such numbers that, if its advance can be stayed, all the power of the Teutonic alliance will be unable to drive it back. Turkey is on the eve of collapse. The Allies at Salonica are in great strength and ready for an advance at a favorable moment. Bulgaria is exceedingly uneasy over the developments of the past month, and the Central Empires can do nothing more for her than they have done. Roumania is said to be ready to take the plunge on the side of the Entente. German finances are in a very bad state, and German commerce is a thing of the past. It may not be correct to say, as some prominent critics do, that in ordering the advance on Verdun the Kaiser staked everything on a single throw of the dice, but the known facts afford a prima facie support for such a view.

The story that came from London on Sunday about a revolution having broken out in Berlin was probably an invention devised to explain the absence of telegraph communication with that city; but it is not denied that there is a great deal of unrest and misapprehension throughout Germany, and failure of the offensive in the West may lead to popular uprisings. There is hardly any room for doubt that the Kaiser's hand was forced by other than military considerations when he ordered an advance on Verdun at an unfavorable time of year.

RETURN OF AVIATION

Mr. Claud Grahame-White is very optimistic over the future of aviation. He says that the expenditures made upon flying machines since the war

opened disclosed almost immeasurable possibilities for them. The great need for the future is more powerful engines. Instead of engines registering horse-power in hundreds, those that will supply it in thousands are what will be required, when aerial navigation is being put to commercial use. He sees no reason at all why an air-craft, heavier than air and large enough to carry passengers or freight, may not be built with speed sufficient to cross the Atlantic in fifteen hours. A device that he thinks will be very valuable he describes as "telescopic wings." An aeroplane needs much more power to rise than it does to keep aloft, so he claims that, if the spread of wings could be reduced when aloft the craft would attain much greater speed when once in the air with the same power than is possible when, as at present, there is no way of reducing the wing surface. As to safety he thinks that can be secured. A commercial machine will in the future carry at least two sets of engines, so that if one breaks down the other can be used; but even a machine with one engine can be brought to earth safely if the pilot has taken the precaution to get well up in the air. An aeroplane can take several miles in which to "plane" down to earth if its engine fails, and it can be steered in any direction so that a good landing place can be selected. Stability has already been secured, and the aerial craft now in use will right themselves readily if the wind thrusts them over.

Mr. Grahame-White draws an interesting picture of a man in London, closing office in the afternoon, embarking on an aeroplane, having his supper, going to bed and waking up in time to take breakfast in New York. It is only thirteen years since the Wrights first managed to get up in the air, and eight since Farman made the first cross-country flight. A few years ago we were all talking about the daring fellows who had flown across the Strait of Dover, and when McCurdy made his trip from Key West almost to Havana we thought that the limit had nearly been reached. Now we have "aerial navies battling in the blue" and we take it quite for granted. The most extravagant dream of future progress in aeronautics may prove no exaggeration five years from now.

RAIL TO PETROGRAD

Count Sergius Shulenberg, addressing the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, spoke of a time in the not far distant future when there would be an all-rail route from all points in America to Petrograd, by way of Behring Strait. This seems to have appealed to the imagination of a good many people in the Eastern States, although they seem to regard it as a very serious undertaking. It really is not, except in the matter of cost, which would of course amount to a pretty large sum of money, but not so much as many people might be disposed to think. Probably \$200,000,000 would be sufficient, if it was not thought necessary to bridge the Strait, and for a great part of the year car-ferries could be operated there.

The suggestion of Count Shulenberg is not wholly a new one, for between twenty and twenty-five years ago such a project was a subject of occasional discussion in the press, but before it can take shape it will be necessary to ascertain something more than is now known about the traffic-producing capacity of a very considerable part of the distance, and specifically of the part which lies in western Alaska north of the Yukon and in northeastern Siberia. It would be a rash statement to make, however, that there would never be developed sufficient local traffic to make such a line worth while. Its advantages from the standpoint of through traffic are not very evident in view of the fact that when the Alaskan railway system is completed and it is linked up with the Canadian lines, a comparatively short water route will connect the American and Siberian lines. The subject is an interesting one, as it serves to show some of the things which are possible in connection with the development of the great Pacific Northwest.

ABOUT THE KAISER

Miss Keene, for seven years before the war a member of the household of Princess Leopold of Prussia, has written some of her experiences during her residence at Potsdam. From what she tells, the inference is very plain that Russian royal families are not very happy ones. This is not very surprising to any one familiar with the history of Prussia from the days of the great Elector to the present. Perhaps the most astonishing about these matters is the pettiness of the things upon which great stress is laid. In this respect, there is no change from the time of Frederick William (not the Kaiser's father), who used to enforce his whims by a liberal use of his stick, except that Wilhelm II. does not use physical punishment. A royal princess who transgresses some arbitrary rule may find herself subject to imprisonment in her rooms for several months.

But the most interesting thing Miss Keene tells about the Kaiser is his chronic impetuosity and the means resorted to in order to get money to pay current expenses. Eight years ago the royal finances were in a hopeless condition. Debts were owing everywhere and there was nothing to pay them with. The Kaiser's personal account at his bankers was overdrawn; he owed large sums to rich members of the court, and he could not borrow anything more. He was, therefore, compelled to sell a part of the royal estates, and was fortunate enough to induce the Reichstag to increase his allowance by something more

than \$100,000 a year. But all this was not enough, and the plan of selling appointments was resorted to. These appointments were to places in connection with the royal household, and very large sums were paid for them. When the Emperor went traveling, large amounts were paid by ladies who wished to be members of her party, in one case \$50,000 being paid by a lady who wished to accompany her to England. Invitations to court functions were sold, and seats in the spectators' gallery were sold at such prices that the gallery on the occasion of a state banquet would realize about \$5,000.

Miss Keene says the Kaiser is a great glutton. On one occasion, he and General von Hindenburg had a match to see who could eat the most stuffed partridges. She says the general managed six, but the Kaiser went him one better. She says that all the members of the Prussian royal family expressed a great liking for England, and she adds that they also told her that Germans are always Germans, their first love being for their Fatherland, no matter how long they may have been absent from it. Miss Keene's description of the inner side of court life leaves upon the mind the impression that to be a Prussian royalty is a very irksome sort of existence.

If the least possible circumference of the stomach at the umbilicus, or navel, is greater than the greatest possible circumference of the chest when uninflated, you are "too fat" according to the decision of the Board of Examiners of applicants for civic positions in New York and hence cannot be efficient and therefore are ineligible for appointment to office. Now get out your tape-measure and see where you belong.

A contemporary credits Sir John Macdonald with having said something like the following: "I want friends to stand by me when I am wrong or mistaken. Anybody will stand by you when you are on the top wave of success." We cannot permit this to pass. What the famous chieftain said was in reply to a new member, who had just told him that he would stand by him when he was right, and it was as follows: "O (deleted by the censor) the Brits will do that. What I want is a man who will stand by me when I'm wrong."

A correspondent asks if it is good form for soldiers in uniform to walk with their hands in the pockets. We have always understood that it was not only bad form but contrary to the King's Regulations, no matter what might be the rank of the soldier. General Eyre, who commanded the Imperial forces in Canada some years ago, objected to officers in mufti walking with their hands in their pockets. This was about the time when the late King Edward, then Prince of Wales, made the practice fashionable in England. It used to be looked upon as purely a "Tankee" habit.

Winter is lingering in the lap of spring for so long a time that before we know it there will be a scandal about it. We are very near the middle of March, and it is pretty near time that something more was doing in the way of vegetable growth. The grass is making a brave showing, but just think what a few days of warm sunshine would do for it. The sunshine was bright enough yesterday, but the wind, what there was for it, was decidedly cool. The condition of the soil indicates that when spring is once fairly on its way, we may look for rapid changes.

Some idea may be formed of the practically boundless resources of Russia from the fact that the Minister of Agriculture stated in the Duma recently that there is sufficient grain stored in Akmolinsk to feed the population of European Russia for two years. Akmolinsk is one of the provinces of southwestern Siberia. It lies south of the Trans-Siberian Railway. Mr. George Kennan, in his first book on Siberia, described this province as one of the most fertile areas in the world. Its soil is rich black loam extending over great areas, and its climate is favorable for the growth of wheat and other cereals.

HOLDS LINEN SHOWER AT NEW DRILL HALL

Voluntary Aid Detachment Receives Much Support in the Efforts for 103rd Battalion

The linen shower held at the new Drill Hall yesterday afternoon resolved itself into a delightful social gathering. Linen of all kinds was literally showered in, the large tables of the officers' mess groaning under the bundles, and there were in addition several acceptable cheques.

Mrs. Charles Wilson, commandant of the Voluntary Aid Detachment, under whose management the hospital is being equipped and operated, had arranged a musical programme which added much to the pleasure and brightness of the afternoon. Mrs. R. H. Popley, Mrs. Margaret, Mrs. B. McCann, Capt. Dunford and Lieut. "Gus" All contributed solos, and Mrs. Gibson acted as accompanist.

The Voluntary Aid Detachment considers it a most thoughtful action of Lieut.-Col. Menzies to place the officers' mess of the 103rd Battalion, C. E. F., at its disposal, and the friends of the officers and many ladies came in large numbers with welcome gifts. For these and other assistance the Voluntary Aid Detachment is most grateful.

Bas, Mrs. Bridgeman, Miss J. and G. Bridgeman, Mrs. Monckton-Cave, Miss Peggy Monckton-Cave, Mrs. A. W. Crook, Miss Vivian Crook, Mrs. Crook, Miss Croft, Mrs. Chadwick, Miss Carlin, Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Dexter, Mrs. De Veulle, Mrs. Devereux, Mrs. and Miss Davies, Mrs. T. I. Dunn, Mrs. Daly, Miss N. Dupont, Mrs. Faulkner, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Foulkes, Miss Foot, Mrs. Galletly, Miss G. Gilman, Mrs. Girdner, Mrs. Gowan, Mrs. C. Gardner, Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, Mrs. Genge, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Hodgson, Mrs. Halsall, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. E. Henderson, Mrs. Hedley, Mrs. Hilton, Capt. James, Miss Onia Irving, Capt. Lauder, Mrs. Norman Lee, Mrs. Laurison, Miss Mary Lawson, Mrs. Milman, Mrs. J. Martin, Mrs. McManus, Miss McKay, Mrs. Main, Miss Munsey, Miss Myler, Mrs. Herrick McGregor, Mrs. Manson, Mrs. Macklin, Mrs. Middleton, Miss MacDowell, Miss Mathews, Mrs. A. T. Monteith, Mrs. Norrish, Miss Nilsson, Mrs. Neame, Mrs. Payson, Mrs. Pitts, Mrs. Plum, Miss Phipps, Mrs. Purdy, Mrs. H. E. Prior, Mrs. F. Pemberton, Misses A. and P. Pemberton, Miss Rosher, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Ratham, Mrs. Rithet, Miss Ross, Mrs. Andrew Stewart, Mrs. Lett Smith, Mrs. Shallcross, Mrs. Schrieber, G. F. S. Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Spurgin, Miss Stubbs, Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. Newman Taylor, Mrs. Tobin, Mrs. James Todd, Mrs. Blackadder Wilson, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. R. W. Wilkinson, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Mrs. S. Wilkinson, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Whistler, Mrs. Williams, and Mrs. Seabrook Young.

ESQUIMALT COUNCIL

Routine Matters Discussed at Meeting—Exemption of Taxes on Gorge Park Is Opposed

The meeting of the Esquimalt Municipal Council, which was held last night, was devoted almost entirely to routine business. There was a full attendance of councillors, with Reeve Arthur Coles occupying the chair.

A letter was read from the Imperial Oil Company, complaining of the condition of Victoria View Road, leading to the company's oil plant on MacLaughlin Point. It was represented that the road was badly cut up, owing to the recent rains and the heavy traffic, and that some sort of repair was badly needed. The company had several motor trucks to use, but, owing to the state of the road it was impossible to utilize them in any way as their wheels would sink in the mud up to the hubs. The engineer had advised the installation of a 10-inch concrete culvert at a cost of \$25, and it was decided that the matter should be referred to the chairman of the works committee.

Other letters dealing with minor sewerage complaints were duly dealt with.

The council was in receipt of a letter from the B. C. Electric Railway Co., asking that the taxation on the Gorge Park for the year might be exempted. It was pointed out in the letter that the park was more or less a public utility and that the cost of its maintenance was very onerous to the company. The benefits derived through the transportation of people to the park in the way of the car service receipts did not exist at present, owing to the jitney competition.

The council opposed the request on the grounds that the tax had already been lowered in an appreciable extent, and that it was utterly out of the question at the present time to abolish the tax altogether.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. L. D. Rogers, of Golden, B. C., in the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Rogers and Mrs. A. McKeown, of 93 Cambridge Street.

Mrs. A. J. W. Galbraith, of Moose Jaw, Sask., is visiting her father, Cpl. W. J. Scott, of the 8th Battalion, at his residence, "Winnitoba," Tennyson Avenue.

Mrs. Geo. McTavish, of Carman, Man., is spending a short time in the city. She is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Scott, Tennyson Ave.

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Only two Victorians, who went away several months ago with a draft of reinforcements for the Imperial Motor Transport Corps, failed to pass the test which they underwent shortly after they reached England. From all Canada a force of 500 went over for this service, and but thirty-five were unsuccessful in meeting the requirements laid down by the officers commanding.

Recent letters from local men with the Army Service Corps Motor Transport indicate that the Western Canadians did much better than the Easterners. It is assumed that the explanation is that the former received "stiffer" examinations at home before being permitted to leave.

"After we arrived in England," says one Victorian, "nobody seemed to know where we belonged, and we were kept at Witley Camp for a week. By that time they discovered where we belonged and sent us to Grove Park, the headquarters of the A.S.C.M.T.'s. The day after reaching there we were tested again on heavy trucks."

The young soldier who wrote explains that, after this, he was given leave for six days, when he returned to Grove Park. "Then one day," he continues, "I was marched off with about thirty other Canadians and drafted in to the company I am now with. The same day we were drafted we were taken to Kempton Park, about 25 miles from our first quarters, and given our cars to bring back, and here we are, stationed along the road and sleeping in our cars. It is over two weeks now that we have been here, and expect to be going to France any day."

"There is only one Victorian boy with me in this convoy, Pte. W. Martin, an Englishman, who came to Victoria about five years ago. The rest of the Victorian boys are all scattered on different convoys. A few of them were sent to some place in London for other service. I saw Charlie Nairn and Tom O'Meara, the other night, and they told me they were going to German East Africa in two weeks' time."

"The second contingent of Canadian drivers (those who were detained at Vancouver for a short time after the departure of the first draft from Victoria) arrived at Grove Park about January 12."

The writer also refers to Sgt. Jack Wood, of Victoria, who organized the local company of transport drivers. He states that the latter is in good health and is to be given a commission.

KAMLOOPS UNIT IS MAKING HEADWAY

Recruiting for 172nd Battalion Proceeding Briskly—Many Volunteers Sent From Vancouver

Recruiting for the 172nd Battalion, Rocky Mountain Rangers, is proceeding at a brisk pace, and it is probable another detachment will leave Vancouver within the next few days for Kamloops, where the battalion is in training. The 172nd is now about 500 strong, and if the same splendid response to the appeal for recruits continues, in a very short time the battalion will reach full strength. Al-

though a Kamloops battalion, no small number of recruits have been sent from Vancouver, a detachment of 67 having left last week and another detachment is now almost ready to proceed out country.

The Rocky Mountain Rangers comprise the 102nd Regiment, 10th B. C. Horse and 11st B. C. Horse. The two latter units had volunteered for active service as mounted troops, but when the order went forth that no more mounted men would be needed at the front, they willingly threw in their lot with the 172nd, and will now proceed to the front as an infantry battalion.

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With many young men who have enlisted in the 172nd the opportunity to undergo training without remaining in city has proved an attraction, while to many others the opportunity to ally themselves with a battalion in which there are so many mounted men has also proved an inducement.

In Col. J. R. Vickers, the battalion possesses a capable leader and one very popular with the men. During his career he has always been prominently connected with military affairs, and has gathered around him one of the most efficient units in the Province. He was formerly in command of the 102nd Regiment. Major F. O. Wolfenden, second in command, was formerly with the 20th B. C. Horse, and Lieut.-Col. H. T. Wilson, next in command, is a former 20th B. C. Horse commander.

IS ATTACHED TO FORESTRY BATTALION

Captain the Hon. Angus McDonnell, of this city, has been attached to the forestry battalion which is being raised in Canada for special service under Col. Alexander McDougall. The unit will be 1,500 strong, and a company is being furnished by British Columbia. Captain Bernard Harvey, a graduate of Sandhurst, has been appointed adjutant.

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Learns to Ride a Camel

Miss Milligan, a graduate nurse of Victoria, who now is with No. 3 General Hospital, at Salonica, Greece. She left with the unit mentioned last year, it having been mobilized on Macaulay Plains. Miss Milligan and other nursing sisters of the hospital visited Cairo before joining their commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Hart, at Salonica.

103RD BATTALION**HAS NEWSPAPER**Official Publicity Organ of
Vancouver Island Timber
Wolves Makes Its Appearance—Promising Journal.

Not to be outdone by the different Canadian battalions which are at the front or in England, to say nothing of the 67th, Western Scots, the 103rd Battalion, Vancouver Island Timber Wolves, now boasts an official newspaper. It made its first appearance last week, and is known as "The Yelp." The hope being expressed that it will develop, before long, into a "Howl." The journal is bright and new, and should prove of inestimable value in promoting the esprit de corps of the unit. The initial issue is typewritten, but its promoters are confident that, before long, "The Yelp" will have justified itself to such an extent as to warrant it being placed in the hands of printers.

In introducing the paper to its readers, the editor says: "A new paper, even if born ex-type-writer by manual labor, is an ambitious venture. As this is just born and is a blind, naked, fat, helpless little wolf-pup, it can only yelp at present. By-and-bye, when with age its eyes open, and it gains circulation, it will, no doubt grow into a Howl."

"Header, deal gently with this bantling, be not too severe when you spy its weakness, or too fastidious at its little jokes. Take an interest in it, encourage it, and it may not amuse you, but perhaps be of some use."

"After all, if it is of use, it will live, if not, it will die, as it ought to, and that is all there is to it."

A few notes from "The Yelp" of general interest follow:

No. 1 Company are to be congratulated on having moved up in the scale of comfort. If they have done so, to the basement to get it. Early and late bathers are asked to tread on tip-toes when they wander bathwards, lest they break the slumbers of No. 1.

No. 3 Company have been very busy chasing draughts during the few days. The saw and hammer have been heard in the land of No. 3, and rumor has it that Turkey carpets and brocade hangings have been ordered. Luxurious devils!

The pay office having been moved next to the beef and bone department, the room thus made vacant is now occupied by the erratic few whose souls know not the flight of time and whose reception by the guards is careenous if warm. Anyway, it will be quite a change from the rifle range as an all-night resort.

COL. OGILVIE BACK**FROM MAINLAND**D. O. C. States That There
Are No New Developments
With Respect to Artillery
Brigade.

Col. A. T. Ogilvie, D.O.C., returned from Vancouver yesterday. He had nothing to say with respect to the Artillery Brigade of which he is to have command, except that there appeared to be no doubt that it would be authorized. No official word has been received from Ottawa, and for this reason there was nothing to indicate when the unit would be mobilized or when he was to assume his new duties.

As soon as an enlistment depot can be opened, the B. C. company of the Western Universities Overseas Battalion is to be recruited. Major Reginald W. Brock, Dean of Mines and of the Faculty of Applied Science at the University of British Columbia, has been recommended by the D.O.C. as second in command of the corps. He now is with the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders.

It was announced yesterday from Work Point that formal authorization for the raising of a second overseas battalion by the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders had come from the department. It has been known for some time that this action was intended. As a matter of fact, the new unit already is well on its way to full strength.

GIVEN MACHINE GUNS

10th Battalion, Canadian Scottish, Receives Useful Gift From Mr. E. Bell-Irving, Vancouver

"Advice has been received by the officer commanding the 10th Battalion, C.E.F., of the forwarding of a battery of four Lewis machine guns—a gift to the battalion. The patriotic donor is Mr. E. Bell-Irving, of Vancouver, B.C., father of Capt. R. O. Bell-Irving of No. 3 Co., who has always followed with keen interest the fortunes of The Canadian Scottish since leaving Canada for active service.

Arm-Sgt. R. Russell, with a special detail, is attending a school of instruction to obtain the latest tips on handling these very effective automatic machine rifles.—The Dragoon.

BANTAM BARRACKS**TO BE READY SOON**Construction Work Is Resumed
on New Quarters at Beacon
Hill—Recruiting Exhibit in
Vancouver.

Work was recommenced yesterday on the barracks of the 143rd Battalion, B. C. Bantams, at Beacon Hill. The first buildings are almost ready for occupation, and it is not expected to be long before the unit will be able to move from the Prince Rupert Hotel to the new quarters. Recruiting locally is making fair progress, and will be much improved, not only here, but throughout the Province through the introduction of the campaign being prepared by Lieut.-Col. Bruce Fowler, the O.C., who is returning from his tour in a few days.

The Bantams have moved to new offices in Vancouver. Prominent among the exhibits there is a French sword picked up in a German trench at Festubert, and sent home by Captain (now Lieut.-Colonel) Victor Spencer. It has a straight blade some three feet long, and is different from the Canadian cavalry sword. A wicked looking bayonet, which belonged to a French infantryman, was picked up at the same place as this sword. "It has a thin stiletto-shaped blade, and is altogether unlike the ordinary British bayonet. A couple of German helmets of the type which have long since grown familiar are included in the collection as well as a Boche trench cap. A British bugle picked up at La Bassée is shown. It bears an inscription: 'Presented to the Post Office Rifles.' A German entrenching tool picked up at the engagement at Ypres, is merely a short-handled spade. There are several types of shells, including a Canadian eighteen-pounder, a German shrapnel shell and one of the deadly French seventy-seven which have proved so destructive."

WILL PARADE TODAY

67th Battalion, Western Scots, to March Through City This Afternoon in Service Equipment

There will be a parade of the 67th Battalion, Western Scots, through the principal streets of the city this afternoon. The "fall in" will take place at 2 o'clock at the Willow's Camp, and, shortly after, the entire corps will leave on its march. All members will wear the new Oliver equipment which was issued recently. This will be the first time the unit has appeared in public in service uniform. Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross, the O.C., has given these orders in view of the fact that today is the anniversary of the landing here of Sir James Douglas, the founder of Victoria. The Western Scots have adopted the Douglas tartan as a mark of respect to the memory of that great pioneer.

ENGINEERS RECEIVE MANY RECRUITS

6th Field Company Crosses Railways Depots and Is Using Central Quarters at Vancouver

The 6th Field Company, C.E., is offering not only recruits, but also officers and "non-coms," of other units a

YOUR SICK CHILD**IS CONSTIPATED!****LOOK AT TONGUE**Hurry, Mother! Remove
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Figs" if cross, bilious
or feverish.

No matter what ails your child, a gentle, thorough laxative should always be the first treatment given.

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Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels, and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs"; then see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

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Our Sunday morning's announcement of Spring Suits, Coats and Dresses at greatly reduced prices met today with most gratifying success, and we beg to announce that we will continue the sale until we dispose of the entire shipment. When it is considered that these garments are offered for sale at low prices at the beginning of the season, your opportunity is the more remarkable, and you will be wise to take advantage of the unusual price savings. We bought the lot for cash under extremely favorable circumstances, and intend to give our customers the full benefit.

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"We had a big farewell smoker a few days ago, but if those smokers do not stop we will have to have another. It was a great success."

"This is the last I am going to write until I get to France. There is not much excitement around here. Once in a while a Zeppelin drops a few bombs here—a great many more than you read about. The papers never tell where they drop—the Germans know too much about that line already."

"He asked if we had just come on guard, and although we had been on 18 hours things were quiet and good enough to make him think we had just come on. This battalion guard is on the gate of this camp. Of course, the

"MY LADY'S SLIPPER"
 There was shown for the first time yesterday at the Royal Victoria Theatre that fine five-act play "My Lady's Slipper." The leading roles are taken by Marie Williams, who plays the hero, and Anita Stewart, who is the heroine. The play was written by Cyrus Townsend Brady, and is a comedy-drama, whose atmosphere is far removed from the common things of life as we know it. Other principals are George O'Donnell, George Stevens and Charles Chapman, all of whom perform in a very acceptable manner.

The balance of the programme includes a Pathé News roll—a one-act comedy that sends the audience out of the theatre in a good frame of mind. These pictures will be shown again only next Wednesday.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Foundrymen Denies—Alderman Porter announced at last evening's meeting of the City Council that the resignation of the foundrymen had been accepted. It was decided that applications should be called for the position.

Overseas Mail Arrives—Several days overdue, two shipments of mail from the British Isles reached the Victoria Post Office yesterday. A total of 183 bags of newspapers, 95 baskets of parcels and 23 sacks of letters were included in the consignments, which left England on February 19 and 25, coming here by way of Halifax.

Will Not Move Troops—Letters were received at last evening's City Council meeting from four Western members of the Dominion Parliament stating that the government had decided not to move the troops now in training in British Columbia, to a camp at Seville, Manitoba, this summer. They were received and filed, the aldermen expressing their gratification.

Swiss Citizens of Citizenship—Many Swiss citizens of German name and language having been subject to great annoyance and even interned for long periods as supposed enemies of the king, in Canadian concentration camps, the consul of Switzerland at Vancouver has been authorized by his Government to issue Swiss certificates of citizenship to such Swiss citizens as can absolutely prove their origin. Such certificates will be in the English language and will practically take the place of a passport in Canada.

Grants Compensation—At last night's meeting of the City Council an appropriation of \$1,650 as compensation to Mr. Shanks, of Selkirk Avenue, for damage to his residence, was ratified. It was explained that Mr. Shanks' house was badly shaken by the city workmen who were engaged in the blasting of a tunnel in close vicinity to it. Mr. Shanks had asked for \$3,000, but, after close investigation, it had been decided that he was entitled to the sum indicated. It had been offered and accepted.

Building Permits—An application from the Marine and Fisheries Department for a permit to construct some wooden structures on the unclaimed property on the west side of the harbor was before the mayor and aldermen last evening. Some were disposed to hesitate, pointing out that great care should be exercised in allowing such buildings to be erected within the fire limits. Mayor Stewart doubted whether the Dominion Government could be prevented if it wished to override the council. He pointed out that the Post Office additions were not in accord with civic regulations, despite protests. The matter was referred to a committee of the fire wardens, building inspector and fire chief for report.

Case Is Remanded—Cecil Arthur Holland was before the police magistrate yesterday accused of forgery on March 9 of last year. He asked for a remand in order to obtain a lawyer, which was granted. John Boyle, a former member of the 88th Overseas Battalion, was charged with misappropriating the proceeds of a £10 Bank of England note. Boyle, from what evidence was heard, agreed to cash the note for a friend last January. Nothing being heard from him the Colonel was informed. Boyle stated that he had been confined to barracks, but had offered \$50 for the note. He said he would have the money today. In January he had the funds, but lost the note and his own money since then. The case was remanded.

Rev Theatre Is Wanted—The entertainment committee of the Red Cross in Esquimalt has rented the Rex Theatre by the month, and will submit it any evening when it is not required for Red Cross purposes. The committee should be sent to Miss Baugh-Allen, the Secretary, Esquimalt Road, or telephone the Red Cross, Room No. 3040L. There will be the usual entertainment on Thursday evening. A splendid programme has been arranged, among those taking part will be Mrs. G. P. Oiler, Mrs. Helen Johnston, Miss E. Barton, Miss Alma Bray, Miss Young, L.R.A.M.; Miss Nora Lewis, Miss Winnie Gilmer, Mr. R. I. Macaulay, Mr. Emerson, R.E.; Mr. Stewart Clarke, and Mr. Gairner. Mrs. Baer, Mrs. Birch and Miss Bray will act as accompanists. There will be ten prizes given away at the close of the programme to those who receive the lucky admission tickets at the door.

Concert at Royal Victoria—A splendid programme charmingly was the verdict of the large audience that listened to the band of the 5th Regiment on Sunday evening in the Royal Victoria Theatre. The playing of Rossini's magnificent overture, "Semiramide," was one of the features of the evening, and Verdi's grand operatic selection, "Traviata," also proved a musical gem under the skilful baton of Bandmaster Smith. A remarkable feature of the concert was the enthusiasm of the delighted audience, who manifested earnest approval of every number on the programme. Mrs. D. H. McConnan sang beautifully the solo, "You Are All That Is Lovely," and for an encore, "A Little Bit of Heaven," and the audience endeavored to have her sing an encore number to the encore. Mrs. Moore gave great pleasure in her violin solo, "Carltona," by Bohn, and responded to the encore with a mazurka by the same author. Cpl. Willis was in fine form, delighting the audience with all his previous efforts by his playing of his two solos, "Cavatina," from Ernani, and the finale from "Salmagundi." For an encore he repeated the last number.

METCHOSIN FARMERS

Strong Effort Being Made to Arouse
Fresh Interest in Agricultural
Matters

The newly elected directorate of the Metchoshin Farmers' Institute has decided to make a strong effort to arouse fresh interest in local agricultural matters for the year 1916, having arranged to hold a public meeting at Metchoshin to discuss the sheep industry locally and to endeavor particularly to get sheep men to support the Wool Sale, to be held by the Duncan Flockmasters' Association this year. The date will be set as soon as a speaker is assured, and already there is every promise that a successful meeting will result.

During April, a meeting will be held in the Happy Valley, and another at Langford. The subjects to be discussed being, possibly, poultry raising and dairying. It is hoped to hold others at Colwood and Albert Head later.

The directors desire the co-operation of all residents embraced within the institute district, and will be glad to hear from any section where sufficient support could be given to meetings, if held, and what subjects they desire speakers on. The secretary or directors will be very pleased to supply all information as to the work of the institute, and hope to make a canvass of the district very shortly to secure new members and get the co-operation of those residing outside the centre.

The executive officers for the year 1916 are: President, Mr. C. E. Whittier; (first) vice-president, Mr. H. C. Helgeson; secretary-treasurer, Mr. E. D. Upha, Metchoshin P. O. The directors at present are Messrs. G. Bell, Rocky Point; T. F. Helgeson, Metchoshin; and C. G. Field, of Happy Valley.

MANY ENTRIES IN ARTS AND CRAFTS

Exhibits by Boys Will Probably Run
Into Thousands—First Show of Kind
Promises to Be Great Success

Great interest is being manifested by all the boys of the city in the coming Boys' Arts and Crafts Exhibition, which is to be held under Y.M.C.A. Boys' Division auspices during the week of March 17th and 18th. It seems likely that the entry list of exhibits will run up into the thousands, and this is a source of encouragement to the promoters, who are going to considerable expense and trouble in promotion work. Copies of the programme and entry blanks have been given out to school boys through the school representatives, but additional copies can be obtained from Seymour Matthews, secretary of the exhibition; his assistant, Arthur Wicks, or the Y.M.C.A. boys' secretaries.

Mr. Crompton announces a new class in addition to those on the programme, i.e., "Class III, Section 9. Any article for practical use made from scrap material or material that would otherwise be thrown away."

Silver and bronze medals will be awarded as the first and second awards, and in addition a splendid diploma will be awarded for the best exhibit in each section. Any boy in the city is eligible to enter. The boys' committee in charge has recognized the educational value of the exhibition, and only four competitions are limited to Y.M.C.A. members. The programme includes over 100 sections.

In addition to the exhibits proper, several competitions are arousing interest. Prizes are offered for best instrumental, piano or vocal solos; best stump speech; best recitation; best essays (three different grades); best swimming strokes (two grades, four strokes); best gymnastics (two grades, set exercises); and championship in billiards (100 up), and table croquet.

There is a special class for Boy Scouts featuring knots and splices, and necessary articles, such as maps and charts. All sections are graded for boys according to school standing, and must be the work of boys not yet 19 years of age.

The domestic science class will interest many boys, there being entries invited for best cake (made without eggs), best cake (made with eggs), pastry, bread, biscuits and candy.

So as to prevent any loss or damage to exhibits, Secretary Seymour Matthews last night signed up eighteen special boy police.

The committee in charge would appreciate special exhibits being sent in for display and not for competition. These could include war trophies and curios. Special care will be taken of exhibits and they will all greatly to the interest and educational value of the exhibition. They should be sent to Boys' Secretary, R. E. Crompton, before Thursday, March 16, at 10 p.m.

The exhibition will be held in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium on Friday evening, and Saturday afternoon and evening next.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

Public Accounts Body Will Meet This
Morning—City's Private Bills
Introduced in House

Today at 10:30 a.m. the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature will hold a session. The committee is composed of Messrs. H. H. Watson, J. A. Fraser, N. Mackay, H. B. Thomson, H. C. Brewster, M. A. Macdonald and J. Place. It held one meeting last week, at which nothing but organization work was accomplished. This morning's session will be devoted to business before the committee. The presence of three Opposition members makes it certain that this session the committee will have a busy time.

Yesterday morning the Committees on Railways and Agriculture met for organization purposes. Tomorrow the Committee on Printing will meet at 12:30 o'clock for organization purposes, and on Thursday the Committee on Mining will meet at 12:30 p.m. and the Private Bills Committee at 10 a.m.

At yesterday's session of the Legislature the City of Victoria's Private Bill was introduced by Mr. H. B. Thomson. M. P. P., read a first time, and referred to the Private Bills Committee. It is an act to ratify the arrangement reached between the city and the B.C. Telephone Company in respect to the agreement entered into four years ago covering the construction of the underground telephone conduit system. After that agreement was signed, it developed that certain powers assumed by the city were lacking. A new arrangement was also made outside the authority of the by-law passed by the ratepayers. Ratification by the Legislature of these changes and additional powers are now being asked.

Another bill affecting Victoria was that introduced by Mr. Thomson and given its first reading, dealing with certain local improvement assessment by-laws, in which changes from the original undertaking with the owners have been made with the consent of the owners, to permit of more equitable assessment.

THE BEGG MOTOR CO., LTD.

take this opportunity to announce that they have been fortunate in procuring the agency for the Hudson Motor Car, and according to a wire received from the factory this morning they will have one of the famous Super-Six Hudson cars on exhibition in their show rooms, 927 View Street, on or about Tuesday, March 21.

You are cordially invited to call and see this wonderful car, which we believe is nothing short of a marvel in all-cylinder developments.

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QUAKER PUMPKIN, per can	10c
TOMATOES, Quaker Brand, large can for	10c
CLARK'S PORK, BEANS AND TOMATO SAUCE, 3 cans for	25c
BLUE RIBBON TEA—Red or White Label, 2 lbs. for	75c
OKANAGAN SLICED PEACHES, 2 cans for	25c
PURITY ROLLED OATS, 8-lb. sack (not seven)	35c
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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B. C., at 10 p.m. March 13, 1916.
SYNOPSIS
The barometer remains abnormally high along the coast and with the exception of rain on the Northern British Columbia Coast fair weather is general. Clouds are light to moderate winds. Several inches of snow has fallen in the Prairie Provinces and colder weather is becoming general there.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	38	47
Vancouver	38	47
Kamloops	38	47
Barkerville	38	47
Prince Rupert	38	47
Atlin	38	47
Dawson, Y. T.	38	47
Calgary, Alta.	38	47
Winnipeg, Man.	38	47
Portland, Ore.	38	47
San Francisco, Cal.	38	47
Port Arthur	38	47
Penticton	38	47
Sou. Port George	38	47
Port Hope	38	47
Ottawa	38	47
Montreal	38	47
St. John	38	47
Halifax	38	47

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In the passing of Rev. Canon John

Booth Good, who died recently in Pas-

adena, Calif., the West loses one of its

best known and widely esteemed pioneer

missionaries. For some years he was

interested in church work in British

Columbia, and held a post at Christ

Church Cathedral, in this city, for a

considerable time.

He was a native of Wrayby Brigs,

SEEKS INFORMATION

ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Outcome of Police Court Hearing Basis of Queries by Mr. H. C. Brewster—Opposition Members Curious.

Why the recent charge in the Police

Court against individuals alleged to

have been running a "blind pig" on

closed premises has not been heard

over to the military authorities? what

was the result of the military inquiry?

were the men released without any

hearing of the charge upon which they

were arrested? and, if so, what action

does the Government intend to take to

prosecute the alleged offenders? Is the

gist of questions, notes of which Mr.

Brewster, Liberal member for Victoria,

will tomorrow ask of the Attorney-

General. Notes were given yesterday

by Mr. Brewster in the following form:

1. Was any person or persons ar-

rested and charged with supplying in-

toxicating liquors during prohibited

hours during the election held in the

City of Victoria on Saturday, March 4,

last past?

2. Was any beer or intoxicating

liquors sold by police in or on un-

licensed premises between the hours of

8 a. m. and 7 p. m. on Saturday, March

4, last past?

3. What beer or other liquor (if any)

was so seized?

4. Upon what premises were such ar-

rests made? (any?) made?

5. Upon what premises were such

beer or other liquor (if any) seized?

6. What is the name or names of the

person or persons (if any) arrested?

7. Was the person or persons (if any)

arrested brought into court before

Magistrate George Jay on Monday,

March 6?

8. Was any evidence available in sup-

port of the charges made?

9. Was such evidence (if any)

brought before the court?

10. Was any evidence in this case

heard by Magistrate Jay?

11. Did Magistrate Jay consent to the

persons arrested passing from the cus-

tody of the court to the custody of the

military authorities without hearing

any sworn evidence?

12. Under what authority did Magis-

trate Jay release the persons arrested

without disposing of the case?

13. Was any action taken by the

military authorities?

14. Have the persons arrested been

released without any hearing of the

evidence against them in connection

with the alleged offence?

15. If the persons arrested have been

discharged without hearing of the evi-

dence against them, is it the intention

of the Government to take any steps to

enforce the provisions of the statute

and to prosecute the alleged offenders?

Timber Data

Mr. Brewster also inquires of the

Minister of Finance as follows:

1. What has been the revenue from

timber royalties for each of the years

1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, and the nine

months ending December 31, 1915?

2. What has been the revenue from

timber licences for each of the years

1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, and the nine

months ending December 31, 1915?

Other questions which Mr. Brewster

will ask of the Minister of Finance are:

1. Has the Government any record of

a town called "Anyona," in the Province

of British Columbia?

2. If so, what is the estimated popu-

lation of said town?

3. If so, is said town located on any

or all of the following district lots:

Canal 308, 479, 898, and 997?

4. By whom are said lots owned?

5. What is the average assessment

valuation of said lots?

6. After deducting the Government's

quarter interest, what would the aggre-

gated assessed valuation of said district

lots amount to in 1915?

7. Are all lots indicated in the fore-

going questions situated in same im-

mediate locality?

8. Are the lands of Lot 766 owned by

various individuals throughout the Pro-

vince?

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ple—even the crowd spoke with a

brogue—and their hearty reception will

encourage Michael to come this way

again. He sings in a particularly rich

tenor, songs of the "Hit of Heaven" land,

several of which he admits having

written with his own hand, at all events

so says his pretty companion, who is

very much more than scenery to the

act. Beautifully staged, amid flower

scenes and blue waters, this particular-

ly refreshing offering is given a real

country atmosphere by a troupe of

doves, crow, and a barnyard fowl,

which plays amusing pranks with a

saucy terrier. It is of a character cal-

culated to create a desire to see it

again.

The bill from A to I is tuneful and

terpreted, with a generous dash of

clean comedy. One little Londoner,

Chris Richards, is effervescent of

enough real enjoyment to attract a ca-

pacit house to the popular theatre for

the rest of the week. Many Victorians

will remember Chris Richards from the

time he played the S. & C. circuit some

eight years ago, but, alas! rumor has it

that vaudeville will know his personal-

ity no more. He has lost his heart to

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CONSIDER PAVING CONTRACT CHARGES

City Council Discusses Captain Worswick's Allegation—City Clerk Will Ask for Information.

A notice of motion from Alderman Todd calling for an investigation of alleged irregularities in connection with the awarding and carrying out of the paving contracts of 1911, came before the City Council last evening, and after some debate, it was decided that the city clerk should write to Captain Worswick, whose statements led to the discussion, and to anyone else who may be in a position to know, asking them to make their accusations in such a form as they may be made public. Thus, it was thought, if there was any sound foundation for carrying the matter further, it would be disclosed, and the council could govern itself accordingly.

As soon as the question was introduced, Alderman Peden, who was a member of the 1911 Council, was on his feet with the vehement declaration that he would like to see everything that was hidden of a doubtful nature brought to light. If there was any ground whatever for the suspicions that had been aroused, he hoped that the motion would be carried and an investigation ordered.

Mayor Stewart repeated what he had said on a previous occasion, namely, that what he knew in no way directly or indirectly implicated Alderman Peden or Alderman Fullerton, who had been one of his colleagues that year. If he (the Mayor) had any information of a character that would in his opinion stand inquiring into it he would have laid it bare long ago. But he had not. At that was in his possession, he was second-hand. He had no direct evidence. There was no use, therefore, ordering an investigation for Friday, as the motion proposed. He was accusing no man, and, as far as he was concerned, there would be no such meeting.

That there were aldermen of 1911 who did not like the suspicions which had been given publicity he had no doubt. The Mayor had a letter, a part of which had been published. He said that the other part was private. The position of those on whom the allegations reflected was that, if a letter was private, it was all private, and if public, it was all public. The aldermen thought they were justified in their position. The author of the letter should be called in to prove his assertions.

Alderman Todd was of the opinion that Captain Worswick would write a letter which could be made public. He was not pleased with the way in which this matter had been brought up. It had come out through the newspapers and had not first come before the Council. A reporter had got the item and published it. He did not know how he got it, but it had been printed. Since then the two 1911 aldermen on the present Council had expressed themselves as desirous of an investigation, while ex-Alderman Hunter had written to the press demanding that this be done. He thought they were entitled to consideration.

If the situation was as the Mayor explained, Alderman Walker pointed out, there was no use going on, because it was only a rumor.

Alderman Porter said that, providing there was a reasonable hope that facts would be brought out, he would endorse the proposal without hesitation. But there was only one man's word. To convict on that would be impossible. An investigation would only make matters worse. There were bound to be recriminations on the character of men which neither could be brought home nor removed.

Alderman Todd pointed out that it was the paving contracts let in 1911 which had caused many to "go broke," and the citizens were entitled to know if there was anything wrong.

The action outlined finally was taken unanimously.

Governor Made Call
The Pacific Coast steamer Governor touched here at 4:15 p.m. yesterday from San Francisco, and left again at 5:10 p.m. for Seattle.

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BOYS ASSIST PATRIOTIC AID FUND

Report of Society Shows That Contributions Are Being Well Maintained—Winter Statement.

The following are some of the recent subscriptions received by the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society:

Officials of the B.C. Provincial Government, \$1,745.41; employees, City Hall, \$122; Outside Employees, City Hall, \$64.50; Victoria Police Department, \$25.25; Victoria Fire Department, \$54.19; captain officers and crew of H.R. Restless, \$46.50; captain, officers and crew of H.R. Salvor, \$18.25; officers and crew of C.G.S. Galliano, \$28.55; officers and crew of C.G.S. Newton, \$24.40; officers and crew of C.G.S. Quada, \$25.50; officers and crew of C.G.S. Estevan, \$25.15; officers and crew of H.R. Charnier, \$27.50; officers and crew of H.R. Restless, \$14.50; crew of tug Sadie, \$10; crew of tug Swell, \$10; crew of tug Spray, \$10; engine room staff of C.G.S. Malaspina, \$25.50; Chief Engineer's Department, Navy Yard (per A. Knight), \$100; Naval Store Officer's staff, Navy Yard, \$14; Steamboat Inspector's office, \$10; Dominion Government employees, Victoria breakwater and pier, \$40; B.C. Dredging Fleet (Cable Division), war fund, dredge Ajax and tug Point Killis, \$184.50; dredge Mullark and Point Hope, \$27.50; dredge Victoria, \$9; Lobnitz Rock Breaker, No. 1, \$46.00; drilling plant, \$75.00; diving plant, \$12.00, total, \$244.00; Messrs. Yarrows, Limited and employees, \$106.20; staff, Department of Mines, Dominion Government, \$77.75; Producers Rock & Gravel Co. and employees, \$70.75; employees, V. & S. Ry. Co., \$12.50; employees, C.P.R. Ticket Office, \$7; Postmaster and employees, Victoria Post Office, \$112; staff, Victoria Customs House, \$105; staff, Island Revenue Department, \$25; staff, William Head Quarantine Station, \$115; staff and employees, Sir John Jackson (Canada), Limited, \$27.50; staff of various city banks (per T. R. Laundry), \$117.75; staff of H. N. A., \$23; staff, Northern Crown Bank, \$14.50; staff, Bank of Toronto, \$11.70; staff, Quebec Bank, \$9.50; staff, Bank of Nova Scotia, \$2.50; employees, B. C. Land & Investment Agency, \$24.40; employees, Messrs. Heisterman & Porman, \$10; employees, Bayward Block, \$19.50; employees, Times Office, \$44.50; employees, Colonist Office, \$104.50; employees, Union Club, \$19.50; manager and employees, Empress Hotel \$22.25; employees, Canadian Explosives Co., of- ficers, employees, Canadian Explosives Co., Shand Plant, James Island, \$104; employees, Hafer Machine Co., \$7; employees, V. I. Power Co., \$16.72; employees, Victoria Gas Co., \$4.99; employees, B. C. Electric, \$24.72; staff, A. C. Electric Ry. Co., \$61.20; Messrs. Acton Bros. and employees, \$10; employees, Copas & Young, \$18; employees, Kirkham & Co., \$20; employees, Dixie H. Ross & Co., \$17.20; employees, Fleischman Co., \$4; employees, P. Burns & Co., \$13.50; employees, Messrs. Lang & Brown, \$3.50; employees, Turner, Heaton & Co., \$57.75; employees, Messrs. Gordona, Limited, \$20; employees, Spencer's, Limited, \$102.30; employees, Gordon Drysdale, \$9; Messrs. Linklater and employees, \$11; employees, D. E. Campbell & Co., \$15; employees, Victoria Phonograph Co., \$23; employees, R. G. Prior & Co., \$26; employees, B. A. Paint Co., \$21.60; employees, National Drug Co., \$5; employees, Esquimalt Waterworks, \$23.50; staff, R. V. Winch & Co., \$9; employees, Hickman Typo Co., \$10; Victoria Typographical Union, \$25; Musicians Union, \$5; Court Maple Leaf, A. O. F., \$5; Langford Women's Institute, \$5; Allis Chapter I.O.O.F., \$5; Agnes Deans Cameron Chapter I.O.O.F., \$10; Camosun Chapter I.O.O.F., proceeds of a tea given by the Chapter at Mrs. Croft's, \$47.50; and proceeds of sale of dolls at Mrs. Peila's, \$45; People's Prohibition Movement of B. C., donation from proceeds of sale of cartoons at Mr. Hengrover's lecture, \$5; proceeds of sale of a razor and gold-mounted pipe, \$22; "Every Month" \$1; "N. B." \$2; "A Helper," \$5; Anonymous, \$2; Anonymous, \$5; Anonymous, \$10; Anonymous, \$250.

Nine hundred and forty-eight families, comprising 2,499 individuals, received assistance from the fund in the month of February.

The statement of the Victoria Patriotic Aid Society from September 12, 1914, to February 29, 1916, is as follows:

Cash Receipts	
From Sept. 12, 1914, previously published	\$177,260.82
For February, 1916	12,796.62
Subscriptions for special purposes	1,067.64
From Sept. 12, 1914, to Dec. 31, 1915	5,930.28
Bank interest	1,305.73
From Sept. 12, 1914, to May 30, 1915	1,305.73
From May 31, 1915, to Nov. 29, 1915	1,064.49
	2,262.28
	\$198,411.11
Disbursements	
Expenditures to Jan. 31, 1916, previously published	\$128,492.23
Less cancelled checks	12.80
Expenditures for Feb.	1,230.97
Allowances under Canadian Patriotic Aid Society	\$6,112.53
Collection campaign expenses account—Printing	117.00
Printing	117.00
Postage	46.00
War tax	30.00
Stamp on hand	7.00
Postage on hand	50.00
Canadian Bank of Commerce	29,632.68
	\$2,919.06
	\$198,411.11

Subscriptions designated by the subscribers as only for the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and deposited in the bank in a special account of that name.

Cash subscriptions:

From Sept. 12, 1914, to Jan. 31, 1916 \$22,371.43 |

From Feb. 1, 1916, to Feb. 29, 1916 \$12,796.62 |

Bank interest 1,305.73 |

From Sept. 12, 1914, to May 30, 1915 1,305.73 |

From May 31, 1915, to Nov. 29, 1915 1,064.49 |

\$29,843.97 |

Feb. 28, 1916, deposited in the savings bank, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria \$22,371.43 |

Small Gramophone and Records, Eufonia, Extension Tables, Dinner Set and Butler's Level, Murdoch's, Pandora, Mart.

Subscriptions to the Toronto Star and the Red Cross Society, Canada can deliver.

COMING EVENTS

Prisoners of War Committee—The Prisoners of War Committee will meet at the L. O. D. H. headquarters, 732 Fort Street, today, at 3 p.m.

St. Paul's Branch—The annual meeting of the St. Paul's branch of the Women's Auxiliary will be held at the rectory, at 2:30 p.m. today.

Rummage Sale—St. Barnabas' girls' branch of the Women's Auxiliary will hold a rummage sale at 2211 Douglas Street on Saturday, from 11 till 4 p.m.

Women's Ambulance Class—Dr. Hudson will deliver the first lecture on First Aid to the Injured on Friday night, March 17, at 7:45 p.m. at the Y. W. C. A.

Drill Practice—Officers and members of Queen of the Island Lodge, No. 209, L. O. B. A., are requested to meet today at 2:30 p.m. for drill practice, in the Orange Hall, Yates Street.

Friendly Help—The annual meeting of the Friendly Help Association will be held on Saturday afternoon, March 18, at 2:30 o'clock, in the rooms (upstairs), Market Building, Cormorant Street.

Frances Willard, W. C. T. U.—The regular monthly meeting of the Frances Willard, W. C. T. U., will be held today, at 3 p.m. in the parlor of the Centennial Methodist Church, Gorge Road.

Daughters of St. George—The Daughters of St. George will hold a whist drive on Monday evening, March 20, at 8 o'clock, in the K. of C. Hall, Fort Street. Refreshments will be provided and prizes given.

Lectures on War—Under the auspices of the "Rustlers" Bible Class, of the Hampshire Road Methodist Church, Mr. Ritchie will, today, at 7:30 p.m., give a very interesting lecture on the war, illustrated by about 100 lantern slides, entitled, "The Trenches Beyond."

Macabre Dance—Queen Alexandra Review, No. 11, Women's Benefit Association of the Macabre will hold a dance on Friday, March 17, in the A. O. F. Hall, Broad Street. Members are asked to bring refreshments. Mann's orchestra will furnish music.

Red Cross Shower—The Cloverdale Red Cross Society will hold a wool and sock shower on Friday, March 17, from 3 to 5, in the Russell Building (end of Cloverdale car line). Tea will be served, and a short musical programme will be provided.

Missionary to Speak—Under the auspices of the Victoria Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Frank Russell, on furlough from India, will speak to all auxiliaries at 8 o'clock on Monday evening, March 13, in the First Presbyterian Church lecture room.

Amateur Dramatic Society—The Western Star Amateur Dramatic Society of Victoria West will present a farcical comedy, entitled, "Her Gloves," in the Empire Hall, on Thursday next. A good programme is assured, and following the comedy a dance will be given, a first class orchestra being present.

Business Girls' Club—Under the auspices of the Victoria Business Girls' Club, supper will be held at 8 o'clock, 6:30 o'clock, upstairs, in the Y. W. C. A. and an invitation is extended to any business girl to be present. Those leaving business at 5 or 5:30 p.m., are asked to go straight to the room. A pleasant time can be spent before supper.

Sons of England—Pride of the Island Lodge, No. 131, will welcome Bro. Jack Davey, who was a prisoner of war in Germany for four months, and afterwards was one of the exchanged prisoners, at its lodge meeting, this evening. It is requested that all members will turn up to give the soldier a royal welcome. A hearty invitation is extended to the members of the Alexandra Lodge, No. 116. At 9 o'clock, a social will be held in commemoration of the event, and it is particularly requested that as many of the Daughters and Maids of England who can possibly make it convenient to attend, will do so. An invitation is also extended to any friends of the Y. W. C. A. who would care to be present at the social.

SUNK BY TORPEDO

Members of Crew of Silius Tell of Disaster

HAVRE, France, March 13. — "The Silius was torpedoed while we were sound asleep," said John Hartmann, aged 18, of Philadelphia, one of the sailors on the bark which was sunk by a submarine off the French coast, to a correspondent of the Associated Press today.

"We were completely worn out by an exceedingly hard voyage," said Hartmann, "and were congratulating ourselves on ending the trip safely. A few hours later we were in the water. The only warning we had was the explosion itself. Except for the captain and two sailors who were on deck, everyone was in bed. The vessel began to sink rapidly, and I never knew exactly how I was saved, but I found myself in a lifeboat later with the rest of the crew."

Otto Ekman, second mate of the Silius, said: "I heard the first report, a distant explosion, but saw nothing and again went to sleep. Thirty minutes afterwards an explosion shook the Silius and she went down so rapidly I could save nothing but my clothes. The Silius was not armed."

The captain, who is a Norwegian, and two sailors, one a Norwegian and one a Danish sailor, were killed by the explosion.

DISPLACE GERMAN TOYS

Steps Taken to Encourage Their Manufacture in Canada Conference Arranged

OTTAWA, Ont., March 12.—With a view to encouraging the manufacture of toys in Canada, both for the home market and for export, Sir George Foster has arranged for a toy conference which will take place in Toronto on March 28. A large number of samples of German toys will be on exhibition to show Canadian manufacturers what the Germans supplied, and there will be a collection of American toys to show what the Americans have been doing to replace German toys. It is intended that all manufacturers will send exhibits so that the exhibition will be thoroughly representative.

There has been a great development of toy manufacturing in Canada since war was declared, and there are no fewer than twenty-four manufacturers of toys in Canada at the present time. All the large departmental stores and a number of wholesale houses in the East have promised to send representatives to the conference. Most of them have been accustomed to send representatives to Germany every year to purchase toys.

In Women's Realm

BY MARIA LAWSON



MISS DAPHNE DE BELAIRE

To the Daisy
In youth from rock to rock I went,
From hill to hill in discontent,
Of pleasure high and turbulent,
Most pleased, when most uneasy:
But now, my own delight I make,
My thirst at every rill can slake,
And gladly Nature's love partake
Of these sweet daisy!

When soothed awhile by milder airs,
The Winter in the garland wears,
That thinly shades his few grey hairs;
Spring cannot shun thee:
Whole Summer fields are thine by right,
And Autumn, melancholy wight!
Both in thy crimson head delight,
When rains are on thee.

In shoals and bays, a morrice train,
Thou greet'st the traveller in the lane;
If welcomed once thou count'st gain;
Thou art not daunted,
Nor carest if thou be set at naught;
And of alone in nooks remote
Where the sweet daisy pleasant thought,
When such are wanted.

Be violets in their scented mews,
The flowers the wanton saphyrs choose;
Proud be the rose, with rains and dew,
Her head imperious;
Thou lovest with less ambitious aim,
Yet hast not gone without thy fame;
Thou art indeed, by many a claim,
The poet's darling!

For the Red Cross

Another woman who is taking a man's place behind the lines in France is Miss Daphne de Belaire. This young lady is driving an ambulance car for the Red Cross. She is the daughter of Baron de Belaire, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and a great-granddaughter of Admiral Sir John West.

A Message

Not many women have seen as much of the effects of war as Mrs. St. Clair Stobart. During the Balkan wars she began her ministry to the wounded, and was in Belgium when the Germans came to Antwerp, and before she escaped was in danger of her life. She went to France, and nursed there when the hospitals were overcrowded after the battle of the Marne. When organization was completed there, Mrs. Stobart hurried to fever-stricken Serbia, and organized a system of field hospitals for the women and children and old people who had been forgotten in the anxiety to minister to the fighting men. When the country was invaded and conquered, she and her doctors and nurses fled for their lives, enduring terrible hardships.

Mrs. Stobart has returned to England, and is being interviewed by newspaper reporters and magazine writers. To one of the latter she gave a message to her countrymen. She did not urge them to follow her own example. There is, perhaps, no longer need for more volunteers to minister in the hospitals and on the battlefields. Nor did she speak of the work in the munition factories or other unaccustomed employments for which women are preparing themselves. With more faith than many of those persons who know less of what war means, she looks beyond the confusion and turmoil of the present to the return of peace. This is her message:

"To the women I would say, let it be your work henceforth to make peace, if possible, you can do it, and you alone. You bring the men into the world, you influence them through their childhood, you are becoming more powerful every day. To you is given the privilege, the honor, the duty of peace."

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making war impossible for the future. Fifty or sixty years ago men thought the right and only honorable way to settle their disputes or to be avenged for insults was by fighting man to man in mortal combat. Today any man who suggested settling things in this way would be considered as mad, and be put under restraint. So it must be with nations in the future. There must be an end to this terrible carnage; this killing of men and women and children, and it is in the power of women to bring this about.

If we cannot feel the confidence of this teacher, each of us by practicing the religion we profess can bring the day a little nearer when righteousness shall rule among the nations. As long as men and women try to injure one another by word or deed; as long as they are willing to profit by the loss of others, there will be wars. When all the peoples of the world "do unto others as they would that others should do unto them," wars will cease. But the peoples are made up of individuals, and in all the centuries that have passed since men took the Golden Rule for the law of life there are few that follow it. Yet each woman can love her neighbor as herself, and teach her children, girls as well as boys, to do so. It is to be feared there is no miraculous way to universal peace.

Their Share.
An army of more than 100,000 women are working in the places of as large a number of men who are enrolled for their country's defence. More than that, it is reported that the women are rendering efficient service with such unaccustomed implements as lathes and drills.

It does not need much imagination to convince one that great sacrifices are being made by the majority of these women who never before have engaged in manual labor. If we could look into some of the homes we would know how greatly the workers are missed by those to whose comfort they were accustomed to minister. Idleness is a thing of the past in England, and among women in Canada there should be no trifling. Either in relief for the present or in preparation for the future every woman and girl should be earnestly engaged.

Money.

Two statements recently made in this city should set women thinking. One attributed the failure of a public market to the dishonesty of farmers who offered for sale inferior products badly prepared for market. The other stated that Chinese eggs in a diseased state were exposed for sale with others by men who intended to defraud the buyer.

In the one case the honesty of the producer was called in question, in the other the middleman was accused of trying to defraud. Are we to suppose that farmers and grocers are sinners above all others, and that the people who bought fruit, vegetables and eggs have been cheated in their life? We are mistaken. A few days ago the writer saw socks that had been worn a few days completely worn out. The material put into them was shoddy of the worst kind. Was the manufacturer a customer at the store or a buyer in the market?

The newspapers from day to day contain charges of dishonesty among politicians, which most women do not take seriously, forgetting that if they are not true, those who spread the reports are themselves guilty of the crime of stealing the good name of those they traduce.

With all this most of us are convinced that the great majority of those with whom we deal are upright. A woman with much business experience recently declared that she had never been cheated in her life. We are mistaken. If she owe her immunity to her own shrewdness?

Even the most charitable must believe that there is dishonesty among us, and that it is confined to no class in the community. We may be convinced that it is not necessary to believe that every one we meet is ready to take advantage of ignorance or inexperience in order to wrong his neighbor. But, if the evil is to be uprooted women must be alive to its existence. They have most to do with making life better. They do not have to carry on the work or the business of the Province in the years to come.

Most little children are honest. It is true, they may take what does not belong to them, but that is because they do not know better. They do not deceive unless they have been taught or forced to do so.

To teach children to be honest and straightforward is the work of mothers and teachers. It can only be done by having them be themselves upright. A child, properly trained, will not in manhood or womanhood, cheat or steal. But this training requires constant watchfulness. Who would expect the farmer's son to be an honest man who, as a little boy, was taught to fill the bottom of a strawberry box with little berries and to cover the top with ripe, bright fruit? The little fellow who delivers milk, half of which is taken from the separator, will be an honest man only by a miracle.

If the little girl knows that her mother pretends to be richer than she is, if she is allowed to slight her home duties and to make a pretence of study, if she is not laying the foundation for integrity of life. There are mothers who neglect to make their children give a strict account of the money entrusted to them for trifling purchases, and who leave small change in places accessible to the children. Sometimes these mothers earnestly instruct the little ones on the sin of dishonesty while they are putting temptation in their way. Teachers also are too apt to be careless in respect to money and the small portions of the school. They do not always think of the danger of allowing the child to lose the respect and confidence of his classmates.

All this seems very self-evident. But the farmers who attend the markets now, the grocers and wholesale men who make a profit by selling Chinese eggs, and the politicians who use public funds for their own profit as well as those who bear false witness against innocent men, or take away their characters by exaggeration and misrepresentation were, not so long ago, little children receiving their first lessons in morality at home, or learning in school how they ought to treat their fellows.

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BIG "RANGE" DAYS OF CATTLEMEN GONE

Lack of Pasture Forces Stockmen of British Columbia to Grow Their Own Wheat and Fodder.

Mr. F. B. Ward, of the Douglas Lake Cattle Company, told British Columbia stock-breeders at the opening sessions of their ninth annual convention at the Empress Hotel yesterday, that the day of the big cattle ranch with all-year outdoor pasturage is gone. Each year it is more difficult for the cattle rancher to get grazing lands because of the encroachment of settlements, he explained.

"We used to turn everything loose until it was ready for beef," said Mr. Ward. "Now, because of the insufficiency of range, we have to bring in all cattle for the winter. It is necessary to feed everything for at least six weeks in the winter, and the feed is more and more expensive for longer than that. The stockman of today is becoming a large farmer, growing quantities of feed and grain with which to feed his stock."

There are more than 10,000 head of cattle on the ranch of the Douglas Lake Cattle Company, which is the largest cattle ranch left in British Columbia. Mayor Stewart of this city opened yesterday's convention by declaring that the stockmen were engaged in some of the most useful and necessary work done in this country. He said Victoria was honored in having them choose this city as their rallying center.

New Varieties of Wheat
Yesterday afternoon Dean Klinck, of the University of British Columbia, addressed the convention, explaining in detail some of the great improvements made in the breeding of grains, roots and fodder crops. He gave the details of the methods used by the scientists in creating a new variety of grain. All the steps were illustrated by slides. He also went into the various varieties of corn, wheat, clover, grasses, soyas and alfalfa, giving the advantages to the producers in various growing districts.

Dean Klinck announced that he has just received word of the creation of a new variety of wheat at the Macdonald College of St. Anne's, Quebec. This new variety gives a much greater yield of grain than the old variety, and is also more resistant to the attacks of insects and diseases. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, the Hon. T. W. Patterson; honorary vice-presidents, Drs. R. F. Tolmie, Dominion Livestock Commissioner for British Columbia; and W. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Agriculture; honorary directors, Messrs. R. M. Palmer, J. A. Turner, H. S. Rolston and D. E. McKenzie.

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The convention closes today, when Premier Bowser will speak. An address will also be given by Dr. J. G. Rutherford, C.M.G., of Calgary. There are about fifty members from all parts of the Province in attendance.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No letters to the Editor will be printed unless the proper signature of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

"Wanted—A Genius"
Sir,—May I be permitted to make a few observations about the editorial entitled "Wanted—A Genius," in the Colonist of the 13th instant?

It states, in reference to the lack of genius in the leaders in the present struggle, that when the war is reviewed in its proper perspective, it will appear that those we considered mediocre in these days, were in reality geniuses; and, whilst this is doubtless possible, the history of past struggles shows that such a thing would be highly improbable.

In any case, we need not despair. Timothee Stapsen Grant did not "arrive" until after the second year of the American Civil War. Speaking of General Grant makes one recall that the late Lord Roberts considered not Grant, but the Southern general, "Stonewall" Jackson, the best general America had produced.

The remark that critics considered Wellington greater than Napoleon seems a little singular. After many vicissitudes

SILLUS WAS SUNK BY SUBMARINE

Crew of Norwegian Bark Make Statement Showing Character of Attack—Vessel Was Unarmed.

HAVRE, March 13.—A majority of the crew of the Norwegian bark Sillus, which was sunk in the water roads last Thursday, in statements to the Associated Press, today declared that the bark had been torpedoed without warning by a submarine and that the vessel was unarmed.

The French steamer Lousiane and the Sillus lie within a hundred yards of each other. The Sillus was sent to the bottom half an hour after the liner had gone down.

Of the 13 members of the crew of the Sillus, seven were American youths—novices who were making their first voyage. They said they signed because they wanted to "see a little of the world."

Charles Cunliffe, 17 years old, of Atlantic City, explained that the bark had been buffeted by tempests for 31 days before the French coast was sighted. The ship was carried for nine days out of her course, and the crew had been so overworked that they were looking forward to reaching port and had quit worrying about seeing the world. So tired were the men that they were not awakened by the explosion which sank the Lousiane, close by them, with the exception of the American youths, of Philadelphia. He was on deck, and later sustained a broken leg, by being struck by a splinter of wood after the explosion which sank their own vessel, and tumbled the men out of their hammocks. The water poured into the Sillus so rapidly that the crew had only time to save themselves and no chance to think of their effects.

The explosion was a very strong one. Splinters of wood and debris flew in all directions. In three minutes after the detonation all the men were in the water and the Sillus had sunk.

The crew expressed the belief that it was a torpedo from a submarine that sank the Sillus. Two sailors saw what they called a stake moving through the water and which they think might have been the periscope of a submarine.

A French torpedo boat rescued all the men except the captain, who was a Norwegian, and a Dane and another Norwegian, who were drowned. The men were in the water 20 minutes. Those drowned were lost while trying to launch a boat.

John M. Vongslan, Henry Monahan and Daniel Novak are returning to the United States on the British steamship Tauxandrier, which is due to arrive in New York about April 1. The other members of the crew will be sent home by the Norwegian consul.

MAY RAISE LOAN OF \$75,000,000

Sir Thomas White Gives Notice of Resolution—Objects for Which the Money Is Required.

OTTAWA, March 13.—Parliamentary authority to effect a loan of \$75,000,000, amount not to exceed seventy-five million dollars, is sought by Sir Thomas White, in a resolution of which he gave notice tonight as follows:

"Resolved, that it is expedient to authorize the Governor-in-Council to raise by way of loan, in addition to the sums now remaining unexpended and negotiable loans authorized by parliament by any act heretofore passed, such sum or sums of money, not to exceed in the whole the sum of seventy-five million dollars, as may be required for paying maturing loans and obligations in Canada, carrying on of public works authorized by parliament, and meeting expenditures for general purposes authorized by parliament."

WILL LIVE AS BOGEY TO FRIGHTEN BABIES

Guillotine and Zeppelin Will Go Down the Ages Linked in Disgrace of Indissoluble Brotherhood.

Somewhere in Germany, in a respectable suburb, let us suppose, there lives a bland old gentleman of 80 benevolent aspect. His neighbors, with a touch of proud affection, call him as Papa Zeppelin. When he strolls down the street to his favorite tavern a thousand admiring glances are turned upon him; and indeed he might well have deserved all the respect which is due to age, for he has passed the three score and ten allotted to frail humanity. But whatever applause he wins from his own countrymen, from our lips he gets and deserves nothing but execration, writes "An Englishman," in The London Daily Mail. For he is the last of the ogres, who were wont in the fairy books to smile with a hideous fattery upon their victims. And Papa Zeppelin, to be sure, never walks with a jauntier step, never strokes his whiskers with a happier gesture, than when news is brought him that he has done to death a fresh batch of women and children.

He ranks, indeed, among the greatest murderers the world has ever seen. In the wicked and useless demolition of women and children he has had few rivals since the beginning of time. As a baby-killer he stands apart upon an eminence of specialism. Nor has he the excuse which ogres of ancient fable might plead: he cannot order his victim to be served up to him for a meal. Poor man, he must still taste his appetite upon butcher's meat, when all the while he is craving for human flesh! For though he is brave enough to drop bombs from a comfortable height of 20,000 feet, he is not brave enough to

collect his spoils; and so in the ogre's despite the poor objects of his wrath and lust may at least be given the rites of Christian burial.

The vile machines of Papa Zeppelin are the ripest fruit yet picked from the tree of German "culture." They must be a fearful head in the school of brutal arrogance, to appreciate their taste and quality. In the first place they deal death broadcast without exposing the Hun who direct them to any risk at all. To strike those who cannot strike back is in truth an achievement worthy of the men who butchered Belgium. In the second place they claim for their victims the helpless and unarmed—and thus illustrate the solemn doctrine of terror which it is the Kaiser's first object to inculcate in the minds of "uncultured" and "degenerate" peoples.

We all know, the military value of the Zeppelins is precisely nothing. They are compelled to fly so high above the earth that their bloodthirsty crews know not where they are nor what they do. They fling out their engines of destruction at haphazard and with a riotous profusion of noise if they could they would kill soldiers and destroy manufacturers of munitions. Since these objects are beyond their scope they content themselves with women and children, and the tale that is told of Papa Zeppelin's demeanor grows longer and longer.

But let it not be thought that the dishonor belongs to one man alone. All his compatriots, young and old, share his zeal and his disgrace. After the last exploit, when seventy-six women and children, killed or injured, fell to the grisly hands of the ogre, the German press ran into a riot of enthusiasm. Vast crowds of cheering citizens surrounded the house of the aged baby-killer. They shouted themselves hoarse in applauding what had been done. They shouted themselves hoarse in demanding more and bloodier sacrifices. And then, by a happy thought, the proper way was discovered of celebrating the reckless slaughter of innocents: the school children of Stuttgart were given two whole holidays! Is it not meet that the infants of Germany should rejoice that in England infants of like age and size with themselves, were lying dead and mutilated? Thus only shall the little Huns grow to the full stature of their cult; thus only shall they pay due reverence to the grave and whistled Papa Zeppelin.

The nearest parallel to this wholesale contrivance of murder is the infamous Dr. Guillotine. It is not for nothing that their names have the same ending and the same number of syllables. Guillotine and Zeppelin—do they not match almost to a letter? Both of them—the count and the doctor—may rightly be called ogres of blood, and though the count may claim a pre-eminence in ingenuity, the doctor yields to him not a jot either in brutality or in noble sentiment. If his contemporaries had only understood, they might have recognized in Dr. Guillotine and his brother whose one object was to do good.

"Hanging," said he in a notorious speech delivered before the National Assembly, "is a tedious and torturing process. Now, with my machine I cut off your head in the twinkling of an eye and you never feel it." And with a like spirit of benignity Papa Zeppelin asks for two days' holiday in the schools of Germany. By all means, says he, if the children of England learn the death of the slain at leisure and with a becoming hilarity.

By a rare stroke of luck Guillotine escaped the machine to which he gave his name. Almost alone of those who extolled the artifice of decapitation in the Assembly, he died quietly and ingloriously in his bed. Having enunciated the "philosophy" of the guillotine, a criminal shall indict no disgrace upon his family, and that "the property of a convict shall never nor in any case be confiscated," he saw these noble principles outraged and then slid into a mild obscurity. Had anything more of this kind been remembered, the microscopists who adopted his machine would not have misused their chance of irony: they would have "cut off his head in the twinkling of an eye," and made him a solemn warning to other middle-class philosophers.

Nevertheless, the due punishment cannot be said to have surely come to Count Zeppelin. He died the victim of an ignominious name and a fearful curiosity. And let not his German colleague hope that there will be for him any way of escape. He must live forever until he falls out of one of his death-dealing machines, not with the good esteem in which he holds himself, but with the just sentence of condemnation which good men have already passed upon his cruelty. And then, when he has suffered the end fate has in store for him, he will grow into a thing of terror and of shame.

Never shall he claim the guerdon of oblivion. He will remain until the end of time a boogey to frighten babies withal. Those who bear his name, if any there be, will shudder when they are called, or creep about the world answering to other names and pitifully disguised. Even if punishment overtook him and his headless foot, it would be none the lighter for that. For assuredly Guillotine and Zeppelin will go down the ages linked in the disgrace of an indissoluble brotherhood and "damned to everlasting fame."

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A Full Selection of Newest Styles in Middy Waists for Women and Girls

MORE popular than ever will be the new Middies this coming season—the great tendency leaning toward garments for outing and sports wear will make it so. We have fully provided for this extra demand, and can now show you a wide range of styles and sizes, suitable for girls, misses and women. A few particulars in brief are:

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